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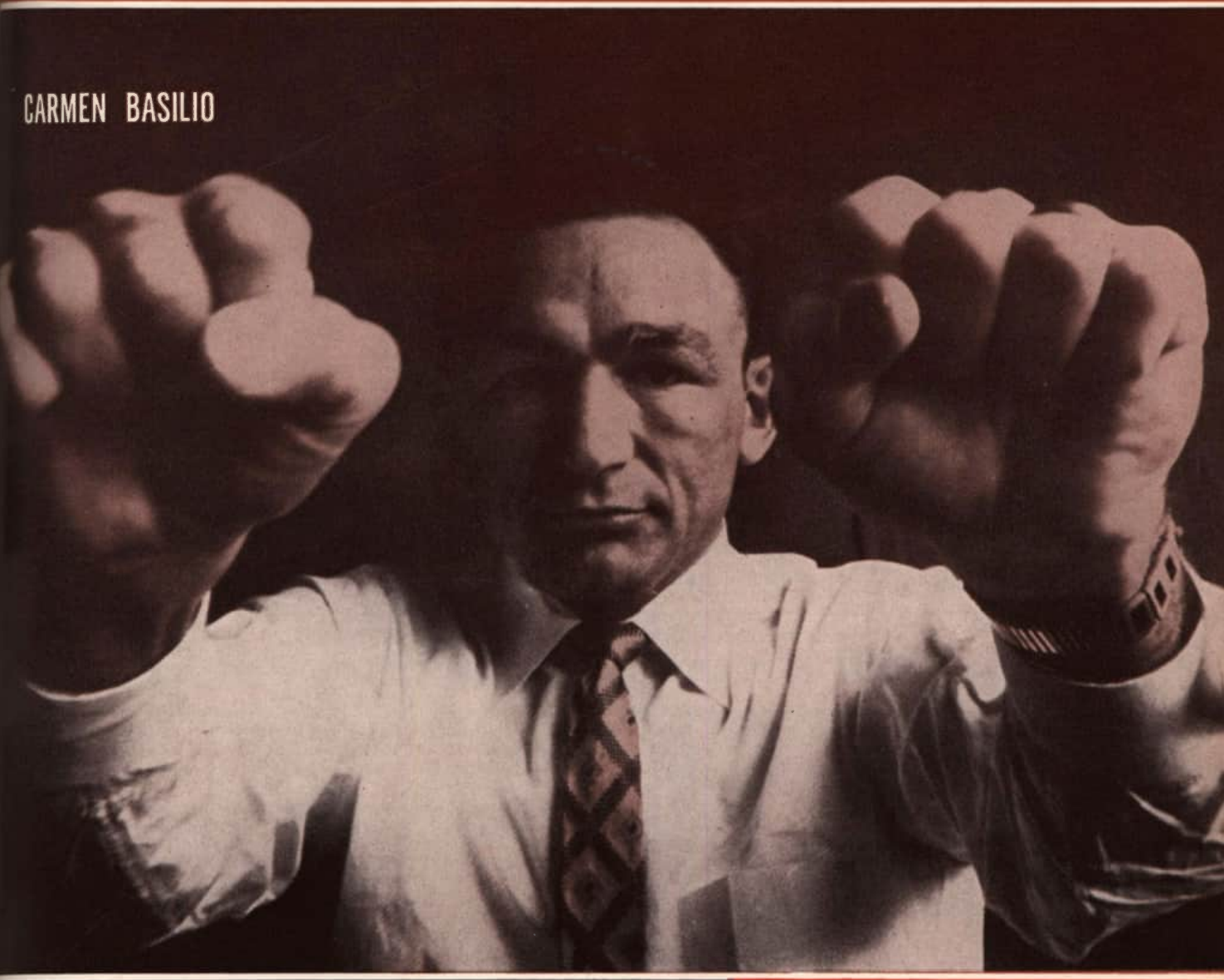

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FROM OUR READERS

WELL WISHES

Sirs:

I've just finished reading the September issue of The Ring Magazine, and I want to say that it is great, just as all the other issues of Ring that I have read. I am primarily a wrestling fan, but I also like boxing very much. I especially enjoy "News of the Mat World" every month.

I used to watch boxing and wrestling on TV regularly at my home. Since I've been in the Air Force, I have not seen much of either, and now I enjoy reading The Ring even more than before.

Best wishes for your success.

A/3C Al Kritel,
Lakeland AFB, Texas

I LIKE JIM!

Gentlemen:

I am a pre-law student and am a junior in college. I have been subscribing to your magazine for a number of years. I am prompted to write this because of a section of your magazine that I have found extremely distasteful. I am referring to recent correspondence in your "From Our Readers" department which has dealt with attacks on Jim Norris and the I.B.C.

Why have these people been attacking Norris because Cus D'Amato has a champion who is afraid to fight a logical contender for his title? If it is true that Norris has a monopoly on boxing it must also be said that boxing has never known any other way. Norris had no more of a monoply than did Mike Jacobs or Tex Rickard.

As far as Mr. D'Amato and his anger at the I.B.C. is concerned Cus didn't seem to have any scrupples against letting Floyd fight inept fighters on his way to the title even though they had connections with the I.B.C. As a result probably no man has ever had an easier road to the title than did Patterson. Also D'Amato seemed to suffer no rightious indignation over Floyd fighting another I.B.C. pushover, Hurricane Jackson, who is possibly the most inept fighter ever to fight for a title. It must be clear by now that it is not the I.B.C. that Mr. D'Amato fears but the fact that Patterson might be forced to fight a capable opponent for the first time in his pampered career.

Mr. Fleischer, you have printed many anti-I.B.C. letters lately so I just hope you would print this letter.

Bob Cook,
Kirksville, Missouri

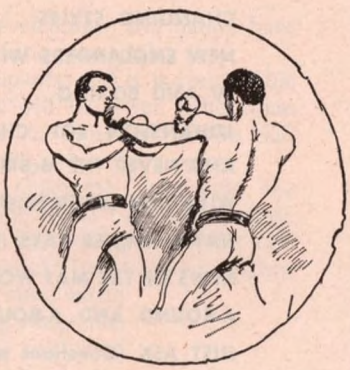
REFEREE NO JUDGE

Dear Editor:

I think it is high time that a movement is started to take away the referee's right to vote when fights go to a decision. This suggestion means to cast no reflection on the excellent handling within the ring of most fights by most referees. I simply feel that referees have their hands full to keep a good, clean fight going. To concentrate on their duties within the ring requires their full time and attention and they are unable to get as good an overall view of the effectiveness of each fighter as a ringside judge who has nothing else on his mind except proper and accurate point scoring.

I, for one, favour seating a third judge at ringside and leaving with the referee all the duties and powers which he presently has, except voting when the fight goes the limit. How about it?

Murray Briskin,
Montreal, Canada



TKO—NO SUCH THING

Dear Sirs:

A word of praise for several referees who recently have stopped ring battles when one boxer was hopelessly outclassed. Danny Hodge is in an Oklahoma hospital for a physical checkup with a chance that he may be able to box again because the referee used good judgment and mercy in keeping Art Norris from hitting him again. He was in condition to be permanently disabled, if the referee had allowed the fight to go on.

I have watched prize ring battles sixty years and it is good to see modern officials using better tactics than in the old days.

You can bet that the few who boo a referee for halting a slaughter descended from those who, in the process of evolution, did not break far enough away from their ape ancestors.

Agree 100 percent with Nat Fleischer when he says there is no such thing as a 'technical knockout'. For example Hodge was completely helpless at the count of nine so he was knocked out—nothing technical about that. Bethea turned his back to his opponent for he did not know what was going on. Nothing technical about his knockout. He was through whether the referee showed mercy or allowed him to be ruined for life.

The brutal few would like to see boxing run as were the gladitorial games in ancient Rome when howling crowds screamed for the better swordsman to kill his helpless foe, on the ground. By using common sense modern referees are maintaining boxing as a sport which it was intended to be. No decent fan wishes to see a contest continued after it is evident that one boxer no longer can defend himself.

Edward A. Vandeventer,
Fayetteville, Arkansas

A GOOD RECORD

Dear Mr. Fleischer:

I received the latest issue of your "Ring Record Book and Encyclopedia" and, as in the past fifteen years, I wouldn't part with it for ten times what I paid if I couldn't get another. I appreciate the inscription, *"To John Bruen, Sr., one of the oldest subscribers to 'Ring Magazine'"*.

In my prized possessions, I hold my collection of books and magazines on boxing, the most valuable. I am proud of having had a number of my letters published over the years, especially the one in which I took up the cudgel on behalf of Peter Jackson, Sam Langford and George Dixon when they had failed to make the Hall of Fame.

I am now writing a column for the "Middletown Daily Record" and I'm sure you would like to know that I feel I owe much of my success in this field to you and the truly great "Ring" and "Ring Record Book."

John Bruen, Sr.,
Goshen, New York

STATUE OR BUST

Gentlemen:

I would humbly like to see two busts struck or statues erected in Camden, New Jersey, one bust or statue honoring Jersey Joe Walcott for his contribution to the science of boxing and the

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Hall of Fame...

1958 ELECTIONS

Tony Zale, Ad Wolgast, Mike Gibbons, Tommy Ryan and Tom Molineaux bring total in Pantheon to 52

By DAN DANIEL

Tony Zale "The Man of Steel" from Gary, Indiana, who was the lone choice in the "Modern Group" for election to the Hall of Fame in 1958. Zale, who held the middleweight title longer than any other, was elected by a wide margin over runner up Kid Chocolate.

As a result of the 1958 Boxing Hall of Fame elections, five names have been added to the slowly growing list of fistic immortals.

The ring Pantheon now boasts 52 occupants, and it is conceivable that from now on the number of designations will be fewer rather than more numerous. This will be as it should be, since those behind the Hall of Fame are eager to make election more difficult rather than easier.

The new members are former middleweight champion Tony Zale, the late Ad Wolgast, who held the lightweight title, Mike Gibbons, a great, scientific welterweight, Tommy Ryan, who was first welter and later middleweight king, and Tom Molineaux, one of America's earliest heavyweights.

The induction of these five into the Hall of Fame, which is located temporarily in the offices of The Ring Magazine, in Madison Square Garden, New York, will be celebrated with proper ceremonies before this year is out.

The Publisher of The Ring Magazine, Nat Fleischer, still is in hopes that larger quarters will be found for The Hall of Fame because, with 52 occupants, it is reaching the limit of the space which this magazine can give over to it.

It appears likely that a room somewhere in the Garden will be given to the Hall of Fame and to interesting relics of the ring which now are in the ring museum collection.

ZALE GOT JUST ONE VOTE MORE THAN NEEDED

Zale was elected by the boxing writers and radio and television commentators of the world, 120 of them, to be precise.

Since 75 percent of the total vote cast is necessary for election, a boxer had to muster at least 90 votes to make the Pantheon in that category. Zale, getting 91, and just about made it.

Tony was chosen in the Modern Group, which is made up of boxers who have been active within the past 35 years, and who have been in retirement for at least two.

Mike Gibbons, Ryan and Wolgast were chosen by the Old Timers' Committee, which deals with boxers dating back more than 35 years.

Sixteen members of the veterans' group sent in their ballots. At least 12 votes were needed for election. Gibbons got 14 and Wolgast and Ryan 13 each.

Molineaux was voted in by the Board of Directors of the Hall of Fame, of which Fleischer is the chairman.

With election of the five, the Pioneer Group joined by Molineaux now lists 20 boxers, going all the way back to James Figg, and taking in such more "modern" stars as John L. Sullivan, Nonpareil Jack Dempsey, Jack McAuliffe and Peter Jackson.

Mike Gibbons, Wolgast and Ryan increases the Old

Pioneer Group

TOM MOLINEAUX, unanimous choice, Board of Directors

OLD TIMERS GROUP

MIKE GIBBONS	14	FRANKIE NEIL	3
TOMMY RYAN	13	YOUNG CORBETT 2ND	3
AD WOLGAST	13	JIMMY BARRY	3
FREDDIE WELSH	11	JOHNNY COULON	2
PETE HERMAN	11	HARRY LEWIS	1
JIMMY WILDE	11	WILLIE LEWIS	1
GEORGE KID LAVIGNE	10	FRANKIE BURNS	1
TOM SHARKEY	10	LEW TENDLER	1
JOHNNY KILBANE	8	PANCHO VILLA	1
TOMMY BURNS	7	BENNY BASS	1
OWEN MORAN	6	BILLY PETROLLE	1
DIXIE KID	5	LOU AMBERS	1
PHILA. JACK O'BRIEN	5	CHARLEY WHITE	1
JACK ROOT	5	JACK SHARKEY	1
JOE CHOYNSKI	5	BILLY CONN	1
JACK DILLON	4		

MODERN GROUP

Total Votes Cast 123

TONY ZALE	94	LEW JENKINS	3
NOT ELECTED		ACE HUDKINS	3
		JAKE LA MOTTA	3
KID CHOCOLATE	60	MANUEL ORTIZ	3
JACK BRITTON	54	MIKE McTIGUE	3
MARCEL CERDAN	53	FREDDIE MILLER	3
LEW TENDLER	53	MAXIE ROSENBLOOM	3
JIMMY WILDE	52	JACK SHARKEY	2
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RECEIVED VOTES BUT NOT ELIGIBLE

MIKE GIBBONS	15	AD WOLGAST	1
KID WILLIAMS	1	JOE LYNCH	1
EZARD CHARLES	1		
PETE HERMAN	1	PADDY YOUNG	1

Timers' Group to 19, covering eras from that of Jim Jeffries, Bob Fitzsimmons and Jim Corbett, to the Les D'arcy period.

MOLINEAUX WAS CHOSEN BY UNANIMOUS VOTE

The Modern Group has been increased to thirteen by the election of Zale, who, through his championship feats certainly presented eminently fitting qualifications for the honor.

Gibbons, Wolgast and Zale will receive from the Hall of

(Left above) former world lightweight champion Ad Wolgast, "The Michigan Wildcat," and (left below) Mike Gibbons, the "St. Paul Phantom," who were chosen by the Old Timers' Committee. Unfortunately both passed on before being honored.

Fame gold buttons certifying them as members of the famous collection of fistic greats.

When the Board of Directors went over the list of eligibles for the Pioneer Group, Molineaux was chosen quickly by unanimous vote.

Tom was born in 1784, on a plantation in Georgetown, S. C., which now is owned by Tom Yawkey, of the Boston Red Sox. Molineaux died in 1818.

Tom's biggest fights were with the English champion Tom Cribb, who whipped the American Negro in 33 rounds in 1810, and in eleven furious heats the following year.

The Modern Group election was a rugged affair in which no fewer than 83 candidates were mentioned in the 120 ballots.

That Zale, alone, got the necessary 90 votes, plus one, hardly was surprising.

Kid Chocolate, the onetime little dynamo from Cuba, finished second with 60 votes, and then came that master boxer of the welter division, Jack Britton, with 54.

The late Marcel Cerdan, who held the middleweight title, and Lew Tendler, southpaw lightweight who came so close to wresting the title from Benny Leonard, came up with 53 votes each and Jimmy Wilde, British mite, got 52. Then came Billy Petrolle, 48, Jim Braddock, 39, and Georges Carpentier, 32. Billy Conn and his 29 led the rest.

MARCIANO IN FIRST TRY, RUNS POOR RACE

Of keen interest is the fact that Rocky Marciano, for the first time eligible, polled only 25 votes, 65 behind the necessary 90.

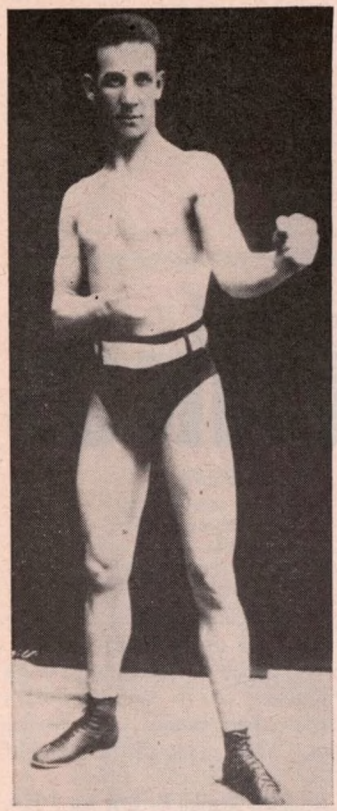
The Old Timers' Committee bunched votes once it got past Gibbons, Ryan and Wolgast. Freddy Welsh, Pete Herman and Jimmy Wilde polled 11 votes each and fell only one short of success. George Kid Lavigne and Tom Sharkey got ten each, Johnny Kilbane eight, Tommy Burns seven and Owen Moran six.

The Board of Directors was somewhat surprised by the poor showing of Tom Sharkey. However, it takes time for a vote to jell, be it with the writers and broadcasters, or in the Veterans' Group.

The histories of Zale, Mike Gibbons, Wolgast and Ryan reflect great glory on the fighters, their ring eras, and the sport of boxing. Here are the thumbnail sketches—

TONY ZALE

Born Anthony Florian Zaleski in Gary, Indiana, on May 29,



Tommy Ryan, great welter and middleweight, who was the third man picked for the "Old Timers' group." Tommy was a native New Yorker.

THE IMMORTAL 52 ELECTED TO DATE

Elected by Modern Writers and Broadcasters

JACK DEMPSEY
HENRY ARMSTRONG
HARRY GREB
JOE LOUIS
TONY CANZONERI
MICKEY WALKER
GENE TUNNEY
BENNY LEONARD
TOMMY LOUGHRAN
BARNEY ROSS
JIMMY McLARNIN
JOHNNY DUNDEE
*TONY ZALE

Elected By Old-Timers Committee

STANLEY KETCHEL
JACK JOHNSON
JAMES J. CORBETT
TERRY McGOVERN
ABE ATTELL
JEM DRISCOLL
JOE GANS
BOB FITZSIMMONS
JAMES J. JEFFRIES
SAM LANGFORD
JOE WALCOTT
GEORGE DIXON
PACKEY McFARLAND
BATTLING NELSON
KID McCOY
LES DARCY
*MIKE GIBBONS
*TOMMY RYAN
*AD WOLGAST

PIONEER GROUP

Elected By The Directors

JAMES FIGG
JACK BROUGHTON
TOM CRIBB
JEM MACE
YOUNG GRIFFO
JOHN MORRISSEY
JOHN L. SULLIVAN
JACK McAULIFFE
TOM HYER
CHARLEY MITCHELL
WILLIAM RICHMOND
DANIEL MENDOZA
TOM SAYERS
GENTLEMAN JOHN JACKSON
ARTHUR CHAMBERS
JOHN C. HEENAN
NONPAREIL JACK DEMPSEY
WILLIAM THOMPSON (BENDIGO)
PETER JACKSON
TOM MOLINEAUX

* 1958 Designations

Tom Molineaux, selected by the Board of Directors for the "Pioneer Group." Tom was one of the first Americans to fight abroad.

1914. His father and mother came to the U. S. from Poland in 1911.

After a year in Chicago they settled in Gary, Indiana. Tony's dad, a steel worker, in the mills, was killed when Zale was only two. Tony was one of seven children.

Two of Tony Zale's older brothers tried their hands at boxing and won amateur titles, but never turned pro. After working hours before the blast furnaces, the Zale boys would repair to the local Y. M. C. A. to train. Tony was only ten when he began to spar with the big brothers. After being graduated from Froebel High School in Gary, Zale entered an amateur tournament. Of 95 "simon pure" scraps Zale won 87. He scored fifty knockouts.

Zale was not quite successful in his early pro career. He was kayoed a couple of times, lost a few and quit in disgust, and worked in the steel mills during 1936. He was persuaded by Art Winch and Sam Pian, the pair who had guided Barney Ross to two titles, to give boxing another fling.

Under their guidance, Tony began to show improvement. He fought N. B. A. Champion Al Hostak in a non-title bout and came off the floor to win. He later invaded Hostak's hometown and defeated him.

Zale was honorably discharged from the Navy in October 1945. He gained recognition as world middleweight champion after defeating Georgie Abrams in Madison Square Garden, November 28, 1941, in 15 rounds.

Tony knocked out Rocky Graziano in 6 rounds in New York on September 27, 1946 in a title bout, then lost the crown to Rocky in Chicago on July 16, 1947. He was kayoed in the sixth but in a return match, he regained the title from Graziano in Newark, June 10, 1948 by a knockout in the third round. Later Zale lost to Marcel Cerdan, on September 21, 1948, when the Frenchman stopped him in the twelfth round to win the world championship.

Zale then retired and became a director of boxing and athletics for the Catholic youth organization in Chicago.

MIKE GIBBONS
("The St. Paul Phantom")

Mike Gibbons was born on July 20, 1888, in St. Paul, Minn. His ring weight was 147 pounds and his height, 5 feet 10 inches. He was managed by Eddie Kane.

Gibbons began his ring career in 1908 and with the exception of 1920, during which he had no fights, and in 1918, when he fought only once because he was in the armed forces as an instructor of boxing, he was still active until the middle of 1922. He fought the best of the welters and middleweights and for a time rated the top man of his division. He laid claim to the world welterweight title in 1910, after Stanley Ketchel had been killed.

More than half of Mike's bouts were no decision contests but the majority were scientific affairs. He had a pretty left hook which could drop an opponent. Among those whom he faced were Jimmy Clabby, Packey McFarland, Harry Greb, George Chip, Ted Kid Lewis, Bill McKinnon, Marty Rowan, Willie Lewis, Paddy Lavin, Mike Donovan, Tommy Maloney, Eddie McGorrty, Frank Mantell and Jack McCarrol.

Mike is listed among the names in ring history that are synonomous with greatness. He often was called the "Phantom" and the "Wizard" because of his speed and the beauty of his technique. When he was at the height of his glory, the middleweight and welter divisions in which he competed, were loaded with stars.

Mike was the nearest approach to the superb artistry of Tommy Ryan that the middleweight division boasted. From 1911 to the outbreak of World War One, he was the trump card for American promoters.

After Mike's retirement in 1922 he became a teacher of boxing and was appointed a member of the Minnesota Boxing Commission.

Mike's brother Tom also was a ring master, as he proved in his limit fight with Jack Dempsey.

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FLEISCHER FIRST TO DEVISE RING RATINGS

By DAN DANIEL

As professional boxing and the years roll along, ratings, both annual and periodical, take on increasing importance. Ratings tell the ring fan who is who, and what's going on. Ratings guide the matchmakers. Ratings are the things boxers fight for, in addition to the financial considerations and available titles. Ratings contribute to the very life blood of the sport.

In view of this, many spurious claims about ratings have been advanced. Various self-enthroned authorities have insisted that they devised the idea of ranking the boxers of the world. The time has come to deal with the pretenders.

The first ratings in the history of boxing appeared in The Ring Magazine, issue of February 1925.

The idea of rating the fighters originated with Nat Fleischer, editor and publisher of The Ring Magazine, which with that February edition was celebrating its fourth anniversary.

Some time before Christmas, 1924, Fleischer came into The Ring office quite excited. *"I have an interesting idea,"* he said. *"Walter Camp's All America football selections are awaited annually with the keenest interest. Why can't we adapt that idea for boxing?*

"In boxing, ratings would be even more authentic because we would have definite results with which to work. We know that A beat B, C and D and thus stands No. 1 behind the champion. How about it?"

The idea had a tremendous appeal for me. Here was something brand new in a sport which had been going on since the early 18th century, since the Roman cestus days, if one wanted to give it real antiquity.

Here was a powerful medium for increasing popular interest, and for strengthening boxer incentive.

So it was decided that morning to spring the ratings in the February 1925 issue.

Then came the question as to who would get behind the rankings, and how deep they would go into the ranks of the nine divisions—we had a junior lightweight class in those days.

Finally we decided to ask "Tex" Rickard to lend his name to the enterprise. "Tex" was the outstanding boxing figure outside of competition. He was the world's No. 1 promoter, the man who had made Jack Dempsey, then the heavyweight champion.

So up to Rickard's office we went, and "Tex" grabbed the invitation faster than jobless cousin Louie seizes a dinner bid.

It was agreed that Fleischer should make up the ratings, and that Rickard should have the right of review. It is interesting and significant that "Tex" did not make a single change.

How the first page of the ratings story looked, what the rankings were, are revealed in the accompanying reproduction of Page 6 of The Ring Magazine of February 1925.

Publication of the ratings created a tremendous stir in boxing the world over. Discussion as to the compiler's judgment broke out everywhere. The ratings took boxing by storm. The question arose, *"Why wasn't this thought of long ago?"*

Note the headline, **" 'Tex' Rickard Ranks Boxers for 1924. Famous Promoter issues First List of Its Kind. Gives Dempsey and Leonard Only Complimentary Rating."**

On the next page, The Ring Magazine ran a box in which it said, " 'Tex' Rickard's ranking of the boxers of the world for the year 1924, which appears in this issue of The Ring, is only one of the many striking features which this magazine will print during the current year. With this issue The Ring enters on a policy of expansion which will make it the most talked about sports magazine in the world."

The Ring Magazine, its editor and publisher, and its growing staff certainly made good on that promise. It still is doing that.

When the time came for publishing the second annual ratings, in February 1926, a national weekly offered Rickard $5,000 for the story. He accepted. Somehow, "Tex" got the odd notion that the idea belonged to him.

Fleischer was in Europe and I was in charge of The Ring. I notified Rickard and the national magazine that if they stole the feature, I would get a Supreme Court injunction, and The Ring Magazine would follow with suits for damages.

Rickard thought I was fooling. But I persuaded him to see the light and he signed a new authorization for use of his name.

On the death of Rickard, Jimmy Johnston sponsored the ratings. Then Fleischer came out as the sole author. Later, the staff and correspondents the world over moved into the enterprise and the ratings, growing year by year in length and authority, took on their current scope.

In time, too, Fleischer began to run monthly as well as annual ratings.

In time, too, the National Boxing Association picked up the enterprise, which, as an idea and not an invention, could not be patented or copyrighted. But the NBA lays no claim to having originated the important scheme.

Back in 1924, the job of ranking the top ten in each division presented some difficulties for Fleischer. But, as I recollect it, he finished the job within a week.

Now the monthly ratings require days and days of conferences, and the annual rankings take weeks to compile.

Let there be no mistake about where the idea was born, where it was developed, and where it has been worked out best.

REPRODUCTION OF PAGE FROM THE RING MAGAZINE SHOWING FIRST BOXING RATINGS PRINTED ANYWHERE IN THE WORLD

Boxers of World Ranked in 1924 by "Tex" Rickard

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FLYWEIGHTS

1.—Pancho Villa, Manila.
2.—Frankie Genaro, New York.
3.—Al Brown, Panama.
4.—Jimmy Russo, Grand Rapids, Mich.
5.—Tommy Milton, New York.
6.—Corp. Izzy Schwartz, New York.
7.—Lew Perfetti, New York.
8.—Emil Paluso, Salt Lake City.
9.—Young Dencio, Manila.
10.—Kid Wolfe, Philadelphia.

BANTAMWEIGHTS

1.—Eddie Martin, New York.
2.—Abe Goldstein, New York.
3.—Bud Taylor, Chicago.
4.—Carl Tremaine, Cleveland.
5.—Amos Carlin, New Orleans.
6.—Harold Smith, Chicago.
7.—Pete Sarmiento, Manila.
8.—Vic Foley, Vancouver.
9.—Bushy Graham, Utica, N. Y.
10.—Johnny Brown, England.

FEATHERWEIGHTS

1.—Louis Kaplan, Meriden, Conn.
2.—Babe Herman, San Francisco.
3.—Mike Dundee, Rock Island, Ills.
4.—Danny Kramer, Philadelphia.
5.—Jose Lombardo, Panama.
6.—Bobby Garcia, Camp Holabird.
7.—"Red" Chapman, Boston.
8.—Joey Sanger, Milwaukee.
9.—Ray Miller, Chicago.
10.—Bud Ridley, Seattle.

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS

1.—Kid Sullivan, New York.
2.—Jack Bernstein, Yonkers, N. Y.
3.—Solly Seaman, New York.
4.—Lew Paluso, Salt Lake City.
5.—Eddie Wagner, Philadelphia.
6.—Joey Silvers, New York.
7.—Mike Ballerino, New York.
8.—Tony Vaccarelli, New York.
9.—Johnny Leonard, Allentown, Pa.
10.—"Pepper" Martin, New York.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

1.—Benny Leonard, New York.
2.—Sid Terris, New York.
3.—Sammy Mandell, Chicago.
4.—Sid Barbarian, Detroit.
5.—Johnny Dundee, New York.
6.—Louis Vicentini, Chile.
7.—Tommy O'Brien, Milwaukee.
8.—Charley O'Connell, Cleveland.
9.—Basil Galiano, New Orleans.
10.—Archie Walker, New York.

WELTERWEIGHTS

1.—Mickey Walker, Elizabeth, N. J.
2.—Dave Shade, San Francisco.
3.—Willie Harmon, New York.
4.—Lew Tendler, Philadelphia.
5.—Pete Latzo, Scranton, Pa.
6.—Morrie Schlaiffer, Omaha, Neb.
7.—Billy Wells, England.
8.—Jimmy Jones, Youngstown, Pa.
9.—Eddie Shevlin, Boston.
10.—Jack Zivic, Pittsburgh.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

1.—Harry Greb, Pittsburgh.
2.—"Tiger" Flowers, Atlanta, Ga.
3.—Jimmy Slattery, Buffalo.
4.—Jack Delaney, Bridgeport, Conn.
5.—Johnny Wilson, New York.
6.—Frankie Schoell, Buffalo.
7.—Jock Malone, St. Paul, Minn.
8.—Bert Colima, Oakland, Cal.
9.—"Allentown" Joe Gans (Joe Hicks), Allentown, Pa.
10.—Ted Moore, England.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS

1.—Gene Tunney, New York.
2.—Young Stribling, Atlanta, Ga.
3.—Kid Norfolk, New York.
4.—Mike McTigue, New York.
5.—Ad Stone, Philadelphia.
6.—Jeff Smith, Bayonne, N. J.
7.—Paul Berlenbach, New York.
8.—Tony Marullo, New Orleans.
9.—Tommy Loughran, Philadelphia.
10.—Jimmy Delaney, St. Paul, Minn.

HEAVYWEIGHTS

1.—Jack Dempsey, Salt Lake City.
2.—Harry Wills, New York.
3.—Tom Gibbons, St. Paul, Minn.
4.—Charley Weinert, Newark, N. J.
5.—Quintin Romero-Rojas, Chile.
6.—Jack Renault, Montreal.
7.—Luis Angel Firpo, Argentina.
8.—George Godfrey, Philadelphia.
9.—Jim Maloney, Boston.
10.—Erminio Spalla, Italy.

"Tex" Rickard Ranks Boxers for 1924

Famous Promoter Issues First List of Its Kind,—Gives Dempsey and Leonard Only Complimentary Rating

It is the exclusive privilege of The Ring *to present to the boxing followers of the world "Tex" Rickard's ranking of ring performers for the year* 1924. *Coming from the leading promoter in the sport and the impresario at Madison Square Garden in New York the tabulation and the accompanying article are of unusual importance and vital interest. It is the intention of Mr. Rickard to make the ranking an annual feature in* The Ring. *It is intended to make the Rickard list each year on a relative parity with Walter Camp's All-America team in fo[illegible] United States*

titles and the total eclipse of foreign contenders for world supremacy. In tabulating the best ten in each class I was guided not so much by the [illegible] eral impression as to wh[illegible] boxer deserved for his [illegible] his entire career, b[illegible] complished in 192[illegible] this clear—the [illegible] basis of achiev[illegible]

Had I ad[illegible] plan I wou[illegible] both [illegible] cha[illegible]

is No. 1—but that Harry Wills is No. 1, too. Dempsey is the champion, but Will[illegible] [illegible]ing on re[illegible]

Pain is etched on the badly battered face of California's "Golden Boy" Art Aragon as he sits in his corner after the seventh round of his fight with Basilio. Art was stopped in the next round by Carmen's two-fisted attack.

NEW YORK GETS BIG FIGHT

By NAT FLEISCHER

Robinson-Basilio return middleweight championship will be staged in Madison Square Garden with closed circuit TV most likely arrangement—Carmen's knockout of Aragon in eighth round makes rubber match with Sugar Ray year's top bout.

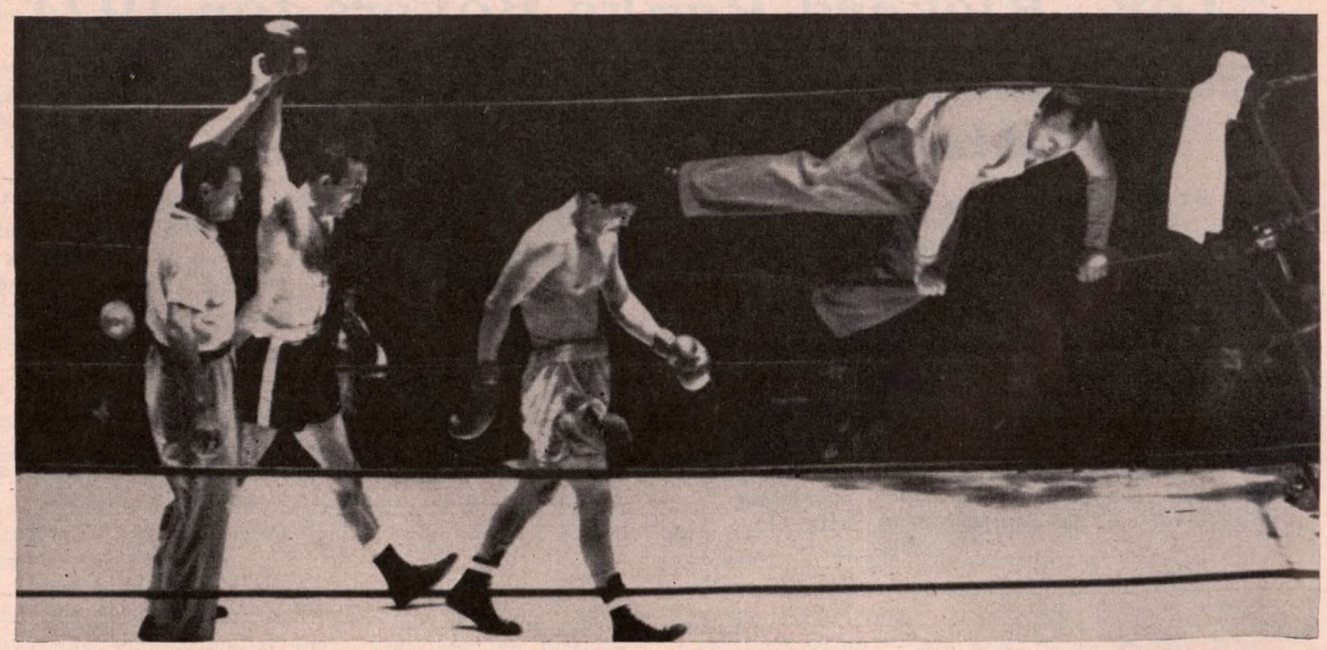
HAVING disposed of Art Aragon, the Golden Boy, in 1.27 of the eighth round of their Los Angeles bout, Carmen Basillo, former world welterweight and middleweight champion, is all set for the return bout with Ray Robinson.

Statements to the contrary not withstanding, Robinson and Basilio will clash in their rubber contest in a world middleweight championship fight in Madison Square Garden late in January or early in February of next year either on a Tuesday or Thursday night with a closed theatre TV arrangement.

Though Truman Gibson, president of the International Boxing Club and Harry Markson, managing director, have announced that consideration is being given to Los Angeles, Chicago and New York, the last named city has definitely been decided upon The Ring has learned from unimpeachable sources. Since Robinson insists on theatre television, the fight won't be held on a Friday or Wednesday, the Garden's regular television night.

Why in New York?

Because New York can offer the best inducements. It is the only city in which fifty dollars tops can be obtained for such a contest for the first six rows ringside; both fighters hail from the Empire State and each has a tremendous following in New York; both Robinson, the defending champion and Basilio have requested Truman Gibson to stage the bout in the Garden and last but not least, the I.B.C. is being hard pressed by Julius Helfand, chairman of the New York Commission to hold the fight in New York and the I.B.C. realizes that it owes something to the commission



Referee Tommy Hart lifts Basilio's hand after halting the action in the eighth round. Aragon's corner threw in the towel, seen hanging on the ropes, as Art's second enters the ring to help his battered charge. Basilio completely overpowered Art.

Carmen's relentless two-handed barrage sent Aragon sagging through the ropes in this seventh round action. Art fought a game battle but Basilio showing no effect of his beating at the hands of Ray Robinson last spring was just too much for the West Coast favorite to cope with.

by way of a major championship bout.

And so, regardless of any statements emanating from California or Illinois, paste this in your hat—New York City will be the scene of the next Robinson-Basilio bout shortly after the first of the New Year—probably on January 29 or February 6. Though Robinson refused to consider an outdoor return contest for this year due to his tax problems, he has agreed, from what we have learned, to get into action again soon after the New Year and will in all probability, win or lose, call that his final contest. With television, movie and radio rights in addition to his percentage, Sugar Ray figures he can obtain half a million in the return bout with Basilio, an attraction that stands out as the biggest in sight.

Carmen's victory over Aragon, though one-sided, made the fans realize that the gruelling affair in Chicago in which Robinson regained the crown for the fourth time, has not in the least affected physically his Chittenango, New York, challenger. He displayed more zip, punching power, speed and combinations than in either of his two bouts with Sugar Ray. His impressive eighth round knockout over gory Aragon, assured Basilio of another shot at Robbie's crown and convinced both the I.B.C. and Robinson that in Carmen they have an opponent for Ray who will outdraw any other challenger. Not only because of his impressive showing, but because the Basilio-Aragon fight, coming on the heels of the world heavyweight title bout in the same city, outdrew the Roy Harris-Floyd Patterson fight in the same arena, Wrigley Field of Los Angeles, with a gross of $236,521.10 as against the former record of $234,183 for the heavyweight bout. What turned the trick was a ringside top of $25 as against $40 charged for the Patterson-Harris affair.

Aside from the money angle, the proposed fight in New York is certain to draw a capacity gathering because of the excellent chances Basilio has to regain the throne. If he

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By NAT FLEISCHER

WORLD RATINGS

WORLD RATINGS FOR THE MONTH ENDING SEPTEMBER 16th

HEAVYWEIGHTS

(Over 175 pounds)
World Champion
FLOYD PATTERSON, Brooklyn, N. Y.

1—**INGEMAR JOHANSSON,** Sweden
2—**ZORA FOLLEY,** Chandler, Arizona
3—**WILLIE PASTRANO,** New Orleans, La.
4—**NINO VALDES,** Cuba
5—**EDDIE MACHEN,** Redding, Calif.
6—**ARCHIE MOORE,** San Diego, Calif.
7—**ROY HARRIS,** Cut and Shoot, Texas
8—**ALEX MITEFF,** Argentina
9—**SONNY LISTON,** Philadelphia, Pa.
0—**GEORGE CHUVALO,** Canada

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS

(Not over 175 pounds)
World Champion
ARCHIE MOORE, San Diego, Calif.

1—**HAROLD JOHNSON,** Philadelphia, Pa.
2—**TONY ANTHONY,** New York, N. Y.
3—**YVON DURELLE,** Canada
4—**ERICH SCHOPPNER,** Germany
5—**MIKE HOLT,** South Africa
6—**JESSE BOWDRY,** St. Louis, Mo.
7—**YOLANDE POMPEY,** Trinidad, BWI.
8—**CHUCK SPIESER,** Lansing, Mich.
9—**WILLI HOEPNER,** Germany
10—**JOHNNY HALOFIHI,** Tonga

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

(Not over 160 pounds)
World Champion
RAY ROBINSON, New York, N. Y.

1—**CARMEN BASILIO,** Syracuse, N. Y.
2—**GENE FULLMER,** West Jordan, Utah
3—**JOEY GIARDELLO,** Philadelphia, Pa.
4—**CHARLEY HUMEZ,** France
5—**ELLSWORTH (Spider) WEBB,** Chicago, Ill.
6—**HOLLY MIMS,** Washington, D. C.
7—**JOEY GIAMBRA,** San Francisco, Calif.
8—**GENE ARMSTRONG,** Elizabeth, N. J.
9—**RORY CALHOUN,** White Plains, N. Y.
10—**YAMA BAHAMA,** Bimini, BWI.

WELTERWEIGHTS

(Not over 147 pounds)
World Champion
VIRGIL AKINS, St. Louis, Mo.

1—**DON JORDAN,** Los Angeles, Calif.
2—**GARNET (Sugar) HART,** Philadelphia, Pa.
3—**GASPAR ORTEGA,** Mexico
4—**GIL TURNER,** Philadelphia, Pa.
5—**ISAAC LOGART,** Cuba
6—**RALPH DUPAS,** New Orleans, La.
7—**VINCE MARTINEZ,** Paterson, N. J.
8—**MICKEY CRAWFORD,** Saginaw, Mich.
9—**GERALD GRAY,** Jamaica, BWI.
10—**RUDELL STITCH,** Louisville, Ky.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

(Not over 135 pounds)
World Champion
JOE BROWN, New Orleans, La.

1—**KENNY LANE,** Muskegon, Mich.
2—**DUILIO LOI,** Italy
3—**DAVE CHARNLEY,** England
4—**PAOLO ROSI,** New York, N. Y.
5—**JOHNNY BUSSO,** New York, N. Y.
6—**WILLIE TOWEEL,** South Africa
7—**CARLOS ORTIZ,** New York, N. Y.
8—**BOBBY SCANLON,** San Francisco, Calif.
9—**JOE LOPES,** Sacramento, Calif.
10—**AL NEVAREZ,** Mexico

FEATHERWEIGHTS

(Not over 126 pounds)
World Champion
HOGAN (Kid) BASSEY, Nigeria

1—**DAVEY MOORE,** Springfield, Ohio
2—**PAUL JORGENSEN,** Port Arthur, Texas
3—**FLASH ELORDE,** Philippines
4—**GRACIEUX LAMPERTI,** France
5—**MANOLO GARCIA,** Spain
6—**RICARDO GONZALEZ,** Argentina
7—**CHERIF HAMIA,** France
8—**IKE CHESTNUT,** New York, N. Y.
9—**SERGIO CAPRARI,** Italy
10—**WILLIE PEP,** Hartford, Conn.

BANTAMWEIGHTS

(Not over 118 pounds)
World Champion
ALPHONSE HALIMI, France

1—**LEO ESPINOSA,** Philippines
2—**MANUEL ARMENTEROS,** Cuba
3—**MARIO D'AGATA,** Italy
4—**JOSE LOPEZ,** Mexico
5—**PIERO ROLLO,** Italy
6—**JOE BECERRA,** Mexico
7—**EUGENE LeCOZANNET,** France
8—**AL ASUNCION,** Philippines
9—**RAUL (Raton) MACIAS,** Mexico
10—**HORACE (Boots) MONROE,** Los Angeles, Calif.

FLYWEIGHTS

(Not over 112 pounds)
World Champion
PASCUAL PEREZ, Argentina

1—**RAMON ARIAS,** Venezuela
2—**PONE KINGPETCH,** Thailand
3—**YOUNG MARTIN,** Spain
4—**DOMMY URSUA,** Philippines
5—**RAMON CALATAYUD,** Venezuela
6—**SADAO YAOITA,** Japan
7—**MARIO DeLEON,** Mexico
8—**CARLOS MIRANDA,** Argentina
9—**ROBERT POLLAZON,** France
10—**MASAJI (Lefty) IWAMOTO,** Japan

INGEMAR JOHANSSON
Fighter of the Month

For the first time in many moons a foreign heavyweight has been honored with The Ring's Fighter of the Month Award. Ingemar Johansson of Sweden, by stopping Eddie Machen of Redding, California, the Number Two contender, in the opening round and flooring him three times, not only gained top honors but leaped into the position as a heavyweight challenger, previously occupied by Machen. Johansson is now in line for a world title shot. Machen's defeat drops him from second position to fifth while Johansson moves ahead of Zora Folley into first place, due to the superiority the Swede displayed against Machen as compared to the draw Folley fought with him in 12 rounds.

Willie Pastrano retains third place while Nino Valdes of Cuba has replaced Archie Moore in fourth. Moore, listed both as a light heavy and heavyweight due to the fact that he holds the crown in both divisions, he continues to fight only heavyweights, has dropped from fifth to sixth place.

Yolande Pompey of the British West Indies retained his seventh position among the light heavyweights when he knocked out Randy Turpin, British champion, in the second round.

Clarence Hinnant, inactive and a loser this year, has been eliminated to make way for a newcomer from Tonga, Johnny Halafihi, who has an excellent overseas record. He is listed tenth, replacing Willi Hoepner of Germany, who has been advanced to ninth.

The unanimous decision in favor of Gene Fullmer over Spider Webb in their Utah bout in which three neutral officials were used, brought two changes to the middleweight class. Webb dropped from fourth to fifth exchanging posts with Charley Humez of France.

Carmen Basilio, whose fine performance in California against Art Aragon whom he stopped, clinched a return bout with Ray Robinson. He heads the list of challengers.

There was a shift among the welters, due to the defeat of Isaac Logart by young Rudell Stitch of Louisville and Gaspar Ortega's defeat by Don Jordan of Los Angeles. As a result, Jordan, victor over both Logart and Ortega, each a top challenger at the time, now occupies the leading contender's post. Sugar Hart of Philadelphia is second and Ortega behind him.

Crawford, a legitimate welter, added six pounds to his weight to meet Tiger Jones, a good middleweight, who stopped him in the tenth round.

Charley (Tombstone) Smith has been ousted to make way for Stitch who is ranked tenth while Gerald Gray advanced to ninth place.

Bobby Scanlon, undefeated San Francisco College student, moved into the lightweight class rankings by his victory over Joe Lopes and is now rated eighth while Lopes dropped from eighth to ninth. Al Nevarez also lost a peg, down from ninth to tenth position and Paul Armstead has been eliminated to make room for Scanlon.

Kenny Lane gained the Number One challenger post when following his triumph over Orlando Zulueta while the European champion Dulio Loi of Italy, long ranked top contender, fought a draw with Mario Vecchiato in a title match. Loi is rated second.

Cherif Hamia, inactive featherweight from France dropped two more pegs, from fifth to seventh and will be eliminated shortly if his inactivity continues. Manolo Garcia of Spain and Ricardo Gonzalez of Argentina, drew, but succeeded in rising, Garcia up from sixth to fifth and Gonzalez from eighth to sixth.

Ike Chestnut, held to a draw by Victor Leon, has been shifted from seventh to eigth position and newly crowned European champion Sergio Caprari of Italy has joined the rated ten as has Willie Pep, the former in ninth and the latter in tenth post.

Harold Gomes and Ricardo Moreno have been removed.

Among the batams, Raton Macias of Mexico has dropped to ninth position from his previous high post due to idleness, while Piero Rollo, Joe Becerra, Eugene Le Cozannet and Al Asuncion each has been upped one place.

Horace (Boots) Monroe of Los Angeles is a new face in the tenth spot, replacing Peter Keenan who was defeated.

Here are the month's leading results:

PROSPECTS FOR THE MONTH

HEAVYWEIGHT—Dave Shoulders, Detroit, Mich.
LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT—Curley Lee, Los Angeles, Calif.
MIDDLEWEIGHT—Norm Smith, San Francisco, Calif.
WELTERWEIGHT—Joe Louis Murphy, Reno, Nevada
LIGHTWEIGHT—Tony French, England
FEATHERWEIGHT—Doug Vaillant, Cuba
BANTAMWEIGHT—Antonio Barcenaz, Mexico
FLYWEIGHT—Fidel Alfaro, Mexico

HEAVYWEIGHTS

Ingemar Johansson knocked out Eddie Machen in 2:16 of the first round in Sweden, dropping the American three times.

Willie Pastrano kayoed Tommy Thompson, 4. Henry Cooper demolished Dick Richardson, 5.

Ezzard Charles, in a comeback bout, decisioned Johnny Harper, 10.

Howard King outscored Art Swiden, 10.

Bob Butcher stopped Tommy Harrison, 9. Alonzo Johnson stopped Emil Brtko, 5.

Charley Powell kayoed Lee Jones, 2. Alfredo Zuany kayoed Sonny Andrews, 2. Monroe Ratliff stopped Ruben Vargas, 6.

Archie McBride lost to Light Heavy Tony Anthony, 10.

Sandy Assogna stopped Australian Champion Allen Williams, 7 (non-title). Curley Lee stopped Edgardo Romero, 3. Joe Hemphill beat Lou Bailey, 6.

Dave Shoulders kayoed Arthur Wright, 4. Stormy Love kayoed Al Shields, 2. South African Champion Gawie de Klerk flattened Eddie Theron in 20 seconds (non-title). Willie Coleman beat Norm Bolden, 6.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS

Yolande Pompey demolished British Champion Randy Turpin, 2. After losing to Arthur Howard, 10, Ron Redrup was held to draw by middleweight Randy Sandy, 10.

Santi Amonti whipped Erwin Hack, 8. Sonny Pehi became New Zealand champion by stopping Roy Stevens, 11. Cuban champion Julio Carreras defeated Guillermo Diaz, 10. Billy Marshall defeated Tommy Villa, 6.

Tony Anthony whipped heavyweight Archie McBride, 10.

Yvon Durelle decisioned Freddie Mack, 10.

Mike Holt outscored Roque Maravilla, 10.

Humberto Loayza defeated Andres Selpa, 10. Roger Rouse stopped Joe Neal, 2.

Arthur Howard was too strong and durable for Ron Redrup, 8. Bobby Hughes kayoed Bob Stininato, 5. Eddie O'Hara was stopped by middleweight Wilf Greaves, 7.

Bob Young stopped Sherman Dodd, 5. Paul Rossi stopped Sherman Dodd, 2. Norm Letcher stopped Bobby Sands, 4.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

Former World Champion Carmen Basilio returned to action and halted Art Aragon, 8. Tiger Jones stopped Mickey Crawford in the tenth round.

Jimmy Beecham decisioned Bobby Boyd, 10.

South American champion Andres Selpa lost to light heavy Humberto Loayza, 10. Neal Rivers defeated Milo Savage, 10.

Willie Vaughn outpointed Cleve Stewart, 12. Al Williams won over Billy Stanley, 12.

Jimmy Martinez decisioned Bobby Jones, 10. Wilf Greaves won over Sherman Williams, 10, and stopped Eddie O'Hara, 7. Oscar Rojas defeated Cesar Pereyra, 10, Cesar also lost to Ubaldo Sacco, 10.

George Benton decisioned Charlie Joseph, 10. Mexican champion Alfonso Flores defeated Kid Zacatecas, 10. Henry Hank stopped Charley Cotton, 8. Joe Lissy stopped Freddie Wilson, 8.

Phil Moyer stopped Joe Brewer, 10. Yvon Turene stopped Oscar Clendon, 1. Freddie Cross outpointed Alex Buxton, 10. Eddie Thompson halted George Harrell, 9. Jay Anderson and Burke Emery drew, 8. Little Palma won from Lester Brown, 10. Young Beau Jack defeated Gary Simon, 10. Pete Petros outpointed Steve Tony, 10. Former champion Gene Fullmer battered his way to a win over Spider Webb, 10. Randy Sandy drew with light-heavyweight Ron Redrup, 10. Claude Walsh stopped Keith Saunders, 11. Jack Walsh kayoed Tuna Scanlon, 4. Rocky Fumerelle stopped Bob Johnson, 2.

Anacleto Battad and Kid Rayo drew, 10. Art Glass whipped Andy Figaro, 8. John (Cowboy) McCormack avenged only professional defeat by beating Jimmy Lynas, 8. Gaston Roy stopped Nick Kovac, 8, and beat Roy Steele, 10.

WELTERWEIGHTS

World champion Virgil Akins rallied to stop Charlie (Tombstone) Smith, 10 (non-title). Mickey Crawford was stopped by middleweight Tiger Jones in the tenth.

Gil Turner outpointed Stefan Redl, 10.

Don Jordan decisioned lightweight Lanouari Godih, 10.

Ralph Dupas defeated Johnny Gorman, 10.

Rudell Stitch decisioned Isaac Logart, 10. Billy Todd won Australian title defeating Darby Brown, 15. Ted Wright stopped Gunter Hase, 2. Hase also lost to Fortunato Manca, 10.

Gale Kerwin won the vacant Canadian title stopping Cliff Fiddler, 12. Jorge Fernandez kayoed Enrique Mansilla, 2.

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Madison Square Garden, New York City, one-time mecca of big time boxing, lacking in championship fights in recent years, has good chance of being the venue of the next heavyweight championship fight.

IS D'AMATO SOFTENING IN IBC VENDETTA?

By DAN DANIEL

Patterson's Plea For More Frequent Fights Backs Cus Into Corner.

ON August 12, at Wrigley Field, Los Angeles, Floyd Patterson, heavyweight champion of the world, knocked out Roy Harris in twelve rounds.

When the end came, with his own handlers asking for a cease fire and both the doctor and referee Mushy Callahan backing them up, Harris was beaten, battered, and bleeding, but still conscious, sitting in his own corner.

Experts at the ringside reached two conclusions—1, Patterson had made a comparatively mediocre showing even with a knockout victory, and had proved rusty and stableworn. 2, Harris has been over-matched, and was in need of a fresh start, with a year's intensive schooling in defense, and the use of the right hand.

Patterson admitted that he had made a disappointing showing. But he refused to concede that he had been as bad as many of the experts believed him to have been. He said that he believed that Harris, too, had had "*a bad night.*"

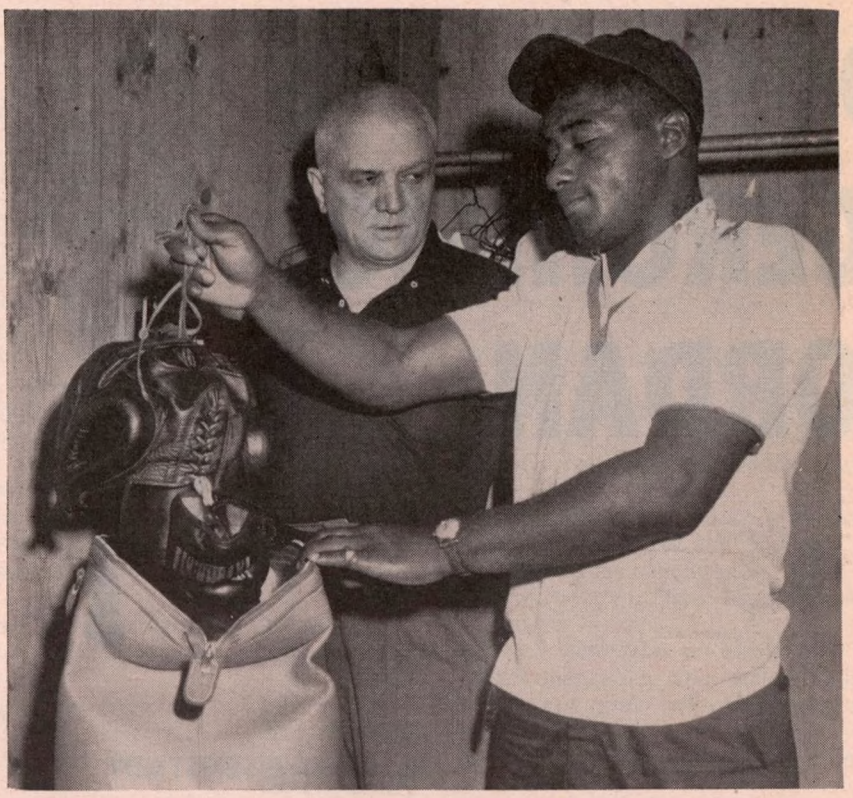
In any event, Patterson announced himself in favor of more frequent outings, and now that is in the hands of Cus D'Amato, his bizarre manager, who perhaps finds the field shrunk by his crusade against the International Boxing Club.

Just whom D'Amato has in mind for Patterson's next title defense is open to conjecture. D'Amato, who trusts no one and is addicted to cloak and dagger policies, is as close-mouthed as ever.

There is some sort of plan afoot for Emil Lence, Cus's pal and still would-be fight promoter, to rent Madison Square Garden for a Patterson fight with Nino Valdes, not one of the hot contenders, but No. 4 in the ratings revised with Harris's tumble into No. 7.

Knowing how deep the feud between D'Amato and the IBC really is, the writer would say that the chances of Lence's landing the Garden are no better than 10 to 1.

The IBC stepped aside when Patterson defended against Hurricane Jackson. Lence did not cover himself with glory that time. The dope was that



Floyd Patterson (right) explains to his manager, Cus D'Amato, that he wants to fight often and not put his gloves away for any prolonged period as has been happening.

he lost money, and would have been hit a lot harder if D'Amato had not cut the the champion's guarantee.

The Ring ratings show Ingemar Johansson No. 1 behind Patterson, and Zora Folley No. 2.

A Patterson-Johansson fight is what the fans want. But they do not appear likely to get it because of the D'Amato crusade against the IBC.

Machen's chances are even more remote because, when Patterson was on the way up, Cus offered Eddie a match and Machen turned it down. This has made Machen absolutely persona non grata with D'Amato, Machen's chances are gloomier as a result of his loss to Johansson.

A rematch between Johansson and Machen is scheduled for Chicago and the result could have important bearing on Patterson's next opponent should Johansson duplicate his victory over Machen it will be hard for D'Amato to dodge a meeting with the Swede.

Pat McMurtry is not a rated heavyweight. But that would not bother Cus if he got the notion of accepting a Seattle bid to match Floyd with Pat.

Willie Pastrano has been running No. 3 in the ratings, but his defeat by Harris, knocked out by Patterson, disqualifies the New Orleans fighter.

Harris, Alex Miteff, Sonny Liston and George Chuvalo, who complete the top ten, are out of the running.

What, then, is in D'Amato's mind? Is he getting softer in his attitude toward fighters with IBC connections? He intimated this after the Harris fight, and insisted that all along, he had barred only those who had snubbed Floyd on his way to the championship.

This does not jibe with what D'Amato had been saying. But if he has changed his views, in the interest of giving Patterson more action and not sending him into any more defenses rusty and indecisive for seven rounds, as he was against Harris, nobody will debate with Cus.

While Patterson admits that he needs frequent outings, he is not quarrelling with his manager. The champion believes in Cus implicitly, and his appreciation of what his pilot has done for him precludes for Floyd the ingrate's role.

If D'Amato fails to speed up action for Patterson, he will take it as it comes. But Floyd does want another fight this Fall, and yet another in June. He has begun to chafe under criticism. He believes himself to be a great champion, and would like to find conditions changed so as to improve his chances to support the worth of his self evaluation.

Patterson's escutcheon was tarnished in the meeting with the now discredited Pete Rademacher by the amateur's ability to floor Floyd and to last into the sixth round.

The champion's reputation suffered again when Harris, the green Texan, not only decked the title holder, but stood him off for a dozen heats.

Patterson had expressed the belief that he would be far stronger for Harris than he had been for Rademacher. To some extent, Floyd was a true prophet.

For a champion of the world, Patterson was far too cautious. His early trip to the canvas threw him into a fight pattern which lacked the drive, the expert offensive and the confidence which had been expected of a world title holder.

Of course, we must not overlook the fact that Patterson became our youngest heavyweight champion, and that when he gained the title by stopping the aged Archie Moore, he had had insufficient experience for title class. Insufficient because he lacked the power of a Marciano.

Watching the Patterson-Harris fight, the critic had to formulate the belief that if Marciano had been in there with Roy, the Texan would not have lasted four rounds.

The Ring Magazine has no quarrel with Patterson, unless it be that he does not take a more forceful attitude in the matter of defending the title more frequently.

Floyd is a forthright, honest, well spoken young man who displays a lot of logic and who answers questions without dodging or quibbling.

However, as a heavyweight champion, he still is in the process of development.

Patterson has a boxing edge on Marciano. But Rocky's power was devastating, and Floyd's has yet to make its appearance. He wears them down, he can't break them down with one punch.

Does this leave Patterson a hopeless figure? Hardly. He is the best we have. The best, and he should get every available opportunity to prove it against all comers.

DON 'GERONIMO' JORDAN

Hard Punching Californian Gained World Recognition By His Win Over Highly Ranked Isaac Logart.

By **FRED EISENSTADT**

MAKING his first showing on the Eastern seaboard, Don Jordan–from Southern California–received the official vote in his ten-rounder over Lahouari Godih at Madison Square Garden. The speedy ringwork by the Algerian–former lightweight champion of France–made the contest interesting and exciting. Jordan stalked his adversary–delivering the heavy artillery. However, it failed to completely halt Godih's two-fisted attack.

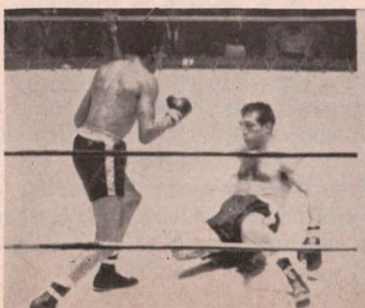
Adherents of scientific boxing thought the Arab put on a stirring display. Those who admire solid socking–and Jordan undeniably is a lad who puts heaps of heft in his wallops –were of the opinion that he deserved the decision handed down by the officials that was disputed by some few.

It was not this battle, however, that earned Jordan nationwide recognition; rather it was his gaining a split deciison over top-ranking welterweight contender Isaac Logart that catapulted him high in public view. In this scrap, which had been a case of bruising bastinadoes, Don outfought the Cuban despite Logart's classy boxing style.

Jordan's pro career according to The Ring Record Book consists of 43 victories in 52 contests–fourteen by KO. Calm and relaxed in the ring, he is undismayed by deadly blows tossed at him; he shakes off those he fails to avoid and retaliates with jarring jabs, hurting hooks, ripping rights–either to the head or body. Don goes about the job of demolishing his foes in stolid but competent fashion, placing his punches with cool and almost impersonal savagery.

Donald Lee Jordan, born in Los Angeles on June 22, 1934, is the fourteenth of nineteen children. Six passed away. Including Don, seven boys and six girls are living.

Inclined toward reticence, the coffee-colored lightweight is, however, warmly co-operative. Thus, dur-



ing the interview in his hotel room the day before his rumpus with Godhi, it was incumbent on this reporter, to elicit information from him by direct questioning.

Q. "What sort of child were you, gentle, or were you mischievous?"

A. "Rather quiet, a good kid—but for one fault: fighting."

Q. "You mean in school?"

A. "Oh, long before that. I've been fighting from the time I could clench a fist. I fought my brothers, sisters, friends, schoolmates, just anytime, with anybody, anywhere."

Q. "You have a High School Education?"

A: "Well—only a few months of it. Had to quit in order to help in the support of our large family by assisting my father who worked—and still works—in a produce market."

Eddie Futch, a refined well-spoken man who trains Jordan, offered the following information: "Don's father, Harold was a fighter in his youth. Good, too. Even today at 57, he can whip all his sons—Don included." Futch smiled, then added: "That may be because Don would not strike back. But wiry Harold can drop anyone he hits right."

Q: "Speaking of being hit right, Don—you ever been chipped right and sent to the canvas?"

A: "Sure have. Art Aragon dropped me. So did Orlando Zulueta. As did Alfredo Cota—whom I stiffened pronto, in one heat."

Q: "When did you commence boxing in the amateurs?"

A: "When I turned eighteen. Six months later—after winning 14 of fifteen contests—I was forced to enter the pro ranks."

Q. "Forced? That needs further explanation."

Futch offered the explanation, as Jordan went for a drink of water. "Don had boxed an Olympic representative and looked so good winning that the Boxing Commission disqualified him from further amateur competition. There's a rule to that effect in California. So, on April 27, 1952, Don turned pro. After eight straight wins, Jordan boxed a ten-round main eventer—beating Andy Escobar. That was on Jan. 16, 1954. On March 10, Escobar won in a return match. On Oct. 4th, that year, Jordan won the California State 135-pound title, a 12-rounder in Los Angeles over Art Ramponi—whom Don has previously beaten in ten."

Q: "Don, how long did you hold the title?"

A: "I defended it but twice. Against Lauro Salas and Manny Renteria. Then, because of the lack of challengers, I defaulted the championship."

Q: "Your father was a fighter, so were four of your brothers—did they teach you the finer points of boxing?"

A: "Yes, at first. Later Jack LaMarr undertook to improve my style."

Q: "To what else—or whom else—do you attribute your advancement?"

A: "Well, fighting a tough calibre of opponents helped polish me up. Also the instruction of my present trainer, Eddie Futch, aided me." (Don's broad smile displayed strong white teeth.) "You might say the Futch Touch benefitted me a good deal."

"Here's an item that I believe is interesting," offered Eddie. "Don, who measures 5-foot-9, started his boxing career as a middleweight. He won the Junior Golden Gloves 160-pound championship, though he scaled only 149 pounds."

Q: "Don, you went to Junior High with Stella Snyder, whom you married on Jan. 23, 1951. Was she your childhood sweetheart then?"

A: "Heck, no! Truth is, I thoroughly disliked her for quite a spell. Because she was snooty, aloof. So, because she looked down on us kids, we threw things at her."

Q: "You and the kids felt you didn't merit her disdain?"

A: "Well, actually, we did merit it. That's what galled us. And so, to further annoy Stella, my friends and I regularly beat up her brother."

Q: "When did the antagonism vanish and love come to you and Stella?"

A: "It was after Roy went away to Salinas. I got talking to Stella and asked her about him. And so, what with chatting now and then, in a few months we became friends and then sweethearts."

Q: "Is she, like yourself, of Negro and Indian extraction?"

A: "No, she's a mixture of German and Mexican."

Q: "What are the ages of your daughters?"

A: "Teresa is six; Genevieve four; Diana three, Susa-May is one."

Q. "Any of them watch your fights on television?"

A. "Yes, the two older ones. They enjoy seeing me fight till I get hit. Then they start crying and complaining that 'bad man hitting daddy.' "

Q. "How were you treated in England where you boxed Dave Charnley?"

A. "Swell, just fine. But I feel that I was deprived of the decision. And that opinion is shared by thousands who saw the battle."

Eddie Futch spoke up. "As you probably know, former flyweight champ Jimmy Wilde—who was a ringside spectator at the bout—wrote a letter to Nat Fleischer, the letter was published in The RING, stating that in his opinion Jordan decisively outclassed Charnley. Incidently, proof that Don can easily make the lightweight limit is the fact that he made it for the English champ last January, in cold weather."

Q: "Your parents object to your making boxing your career, Don? And how does your wife feel about it?"

A: "My mother objects. My father encourages it—naturally. My wife doesn't like it."

Q: "Which fighter gave you the toughest battle?"

A: "Raul Esqueda—who is not too well known. I fought him in Mexico, his homeland, in 1954. My hardest wallops—and I hit him with plenty—failed not only to halt him but also from tearing in and fighting like a wildcat. He sure was tough. A game guy and a nice guy."

Q: "You ever get annoyed by or angry at any of your ring rivals?"

A: "Only once. At a fighter named Manny Renteria. He ribbed me before the bout, steamed me by telling me he would beat my brains out. So I went to work and beat the daylights out of him before chilling him in the seventh heat."

Q: "Of the nine decisions you lost, which fighters do you

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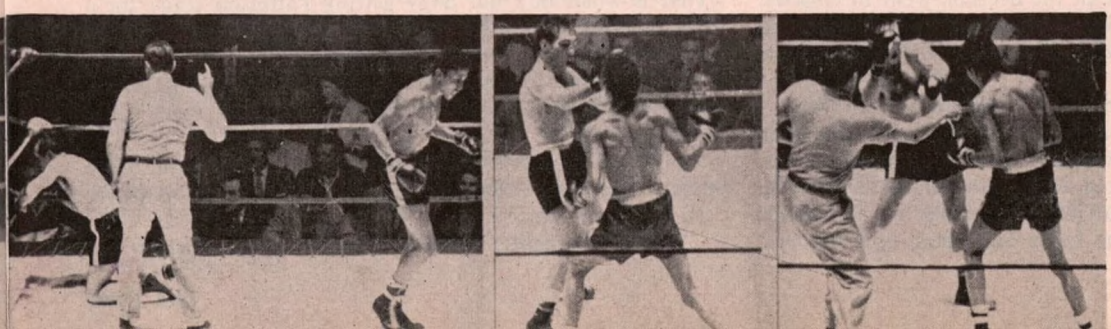

Candid shots of fifth and last round of Jordan's victory over Paddy DeMarco, which halted the comeback of the former lightweight champ. 1: DeMarco down from a punch that broke his jaw. 2: DeMarca with Jordan in hot pursuit. 3: DeMarco receives another right that 4: sends him to his knees. 5: DeMarco up at count of seven in bad shape. 6: The end. Referee Tommy Hart stops the fight.

Dan Florio, a top trainer, watches Patterson following his orders in the champ's recent successful title defense against Roy Harris.

FLORIO'S *Unique* RECORD

Dan Trained Oldest And Youngest To Win World Heavyweight Title

By AL BUCK

YOUNG or old, Dan Florio takes them as they come. As a result the 58-year old Florio holds a record that is unlikely to be broken in his lifetime, if ever. He trained both the oldest man to win the world heavyweight championship, and also the youngest.

Jersey Joe Walcott was 37 years old when he knocked out Ezzard Charles in the seventh round at Pittsburgh on July 15, 1951. Floyd Patterson was 21 years old when he knocked out Archie Moore in the fifth round at Chicago, November 30, 1956.

"Seeing Patterson, a kid, drop Moore with a left hook, was a thrill. I can see the punch now, and also the right that finished him after he got up," said Florio during an interview at Stillman's gymnasium. *"I wasn't surprised. I knew Floyd had the stuff to win the title.*

"When Walcott knocked out Charles I wasn't surprised, although Jersey Joe didn't figure. Hard work paid off in Pittsburgh, where nobody expected him to win. Hard work, along with ordinary observation produced the victory.

"Three months before Walcott had lost to Charles in 15 rounds in Detroit. At least the decision went to Charles. I thought Joe had won, and I protested before leaving the ring, but you know how those things are. Nobody ever wins a protest.

"From the ninth through the 15th round at Detroit, Walcott couldn't miss Charles with a left hook. Had him shook up with it. That was the tip-off. Training for the Pittsburgh fight, Joe worked exclusively on the left hook.

"He'd come off the road in the morning, when nobody was around, and punch the heavy bag, using only his left. The left hook took Charles out, and made Walcott heavyweight champion at what age nobody knows for sure. He's listed in the books as 37 when he won the title, the oldest challenger to win, but he could have been 47.

FLORIO KEY MAN ON CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM

Florio is a key man on the Patterson team. He is small, himself having fought as a bantamweight; friendly, talkative, and usually smiling. Cus D'Amato, the champion's manager, testifies to Florio's competence by never interfering in the gym.

"Cus doesn't even know if we get up at 6 A.M.," said Florio. *"Patterson is easy to train. He never says anything, but he is intelligent and listens. He always wants to know if he is doing anything wrong."*

Florio lives with his wife in Flushing, L. I. Their daughter Patrica, was married early this year to James Kobes of Dayton, Ohio. They also make their home on Long Island.

"We see them about five times a week," said Florio. That is when he's not away getting Patterson ready for a title defense, such as the one he made against Roy Harris in Los Angeles recently.

What is the Florio formula for making a champion?

"Two things. Road work and the proper food," said Florio.

"When a fighter has road work under his belt the other part comes easy. Once his legs and wind are in shape he can do anything.

"When the fighter sits down to the table I insist on the

Florio holds the heavy bag for Jersey Joe Wolcott. Dan trained Jersey Joe for his fight with Ezzard Charles in which the left hook developed on the heavy bag won the heavyweight title for his charge.

Happy brother act! Dan Florio and brother Nick carry Floyd Patterson around in jubilant display after Floyd had won the heavy crown by knocking out Archie Moore in fifth round at Chicago.

three B's. His food must be broiled, boiled or baked. I don't allow him to eat any thing fried.

"Patterson is always in condition going into the ring because he eats the proper food, and does his road work. Some people have the idea getting into shape consists mainly of boxing three, four or five rounds a day in the gym. That's the least part, the easiest part of the training."

Walcott, like Patterson, was easy to train, and Felix Bocchicchio, his manager, like D'Amato, never interfered with Florio's work.

"Felix may have been a tough man to do business with, but he never as much as asked me how many rounds Joe was going to box prior to a workout," said Florio. *"Walcott always went along with the program. It was different with Roland LaStarza."*

Florio trained LaStarza for his unsuccessful attempt to win the heavyweight championship from Rocky Marciano. *"He was,"* Dan says, *"the most difficult of the fighters he has handled.*

"LaStarza always complained. If his legs didn't hurt, his feet were bothering him. On other days it was his arms. It was always something."

The late Jimmy DeAngelo, LaStarza's manager, was in camp at Greenwood Lake when Roland was getting ready for Marciano, but he was already ill. The burden of running the camp was on Florio's shoulders, who as usual had the assistance of his brother Nick.

LaStarza met his fate in the 11th round. After being down for nine he was helpless on the ropes, taking a pounding from Marciano, when Referee Ruby Goldstein called a halt.

"Marciano could punch. I found that out early when I worked with Joe Louis in what proved to be his last fight," said Florio. *"Walcott had Rocky beat at Philadelphia when Rocky exploded that right."*

RIDICULES CHARGE WOLCOTT'S GLOVES WERE DOCTORED

Florio figured in the controversy following Marciano's title winning fight with Walcott. Half way through the bout, Rocky, who was cut on top of the head, had trouble seeing his opponent. Jersey Joe was cut over the right eye, and to check the flow of blood, Dan had smeared a yellow substance over the wound.

Al Weill, Rocky's manager, excitedly charged the medication used on Walcott had blinded the challenger.

"Of course it wasn't true. If it were it would have blinded Walcott, too," said Florio. *"It was nothing but brown vaseline and thymold Iodide."*

Florio believes the medication used on the cut on Marciano's head dripped down into his eyes.

Following his retirement Marciano, in a magazine article, made the ugly charge that a substance was rubbed on Walcott's gloves, causing his eyes to smart and interfering with his sight.

"Ridiculous," said Florio. *"I was in Walcott's corner, and nothing was rubbed on his gloves."*

The second time around, in Chicago, Marciano knocked out Jersey Joe in a round.

"Walcott was a good fighter," said Florio. *"Age finally caught up with him.*

"Walcott was in a trance in the dressing room before the fight. Twenty minutes before he was to go into the ring he didn't have his shoes on.

"I kept telling him to put his shoes on, and he kept saying he would. I didn't finish bandaging his hands until 9:57, three minutes before he went into the ring."

ALSO PRIMED FRANKIE GENERO FOR CHAMPIONSHIP BOUT

In addition to training the oldest heavyweight champion, and the youngest, Florio also trained one of the smallest. He was Frankie Genero, former flyweight king.

"I saw Genero for the first time at the Olympic Games in Antwerp," said Florio. *"He won a title, and I was there as trainer of a team of U. S. Army boxers. After service in World War One, I was with the Occupation Forces in Germany. It was there I became a trainer.*

"I was a boxer for three years. Fought in the bantamweight division from 1912 through 1914. There was a gym in our camp in Germany, and boxers were working out. I took a liking to a kid, and was showing him a few things.

"The captain in charge saw what I was doing, and made me a coach. That's how I came to be a trainer."

With his brother Nick, Dan trained Tony Canzoneri a quarter of a century ago. Nick Florio is a big, pleasant fellow, who doesn't say two words during an entire evening. As a result he is known as *"Gabby."* Dan, who holds up his end in conversation, is known to fight folks as *"Silent."*

Among the big surprises of Dan Florio's career was Paddy DeMarco's title winning fight with Jimmy Carter, the lightweight champion.

"I was surprised because nobody gave DeMarco a chance," said Florio. *"He did nothing wrong that night, followed the corner's instructions, and he left the ring the world lightweight champion.*

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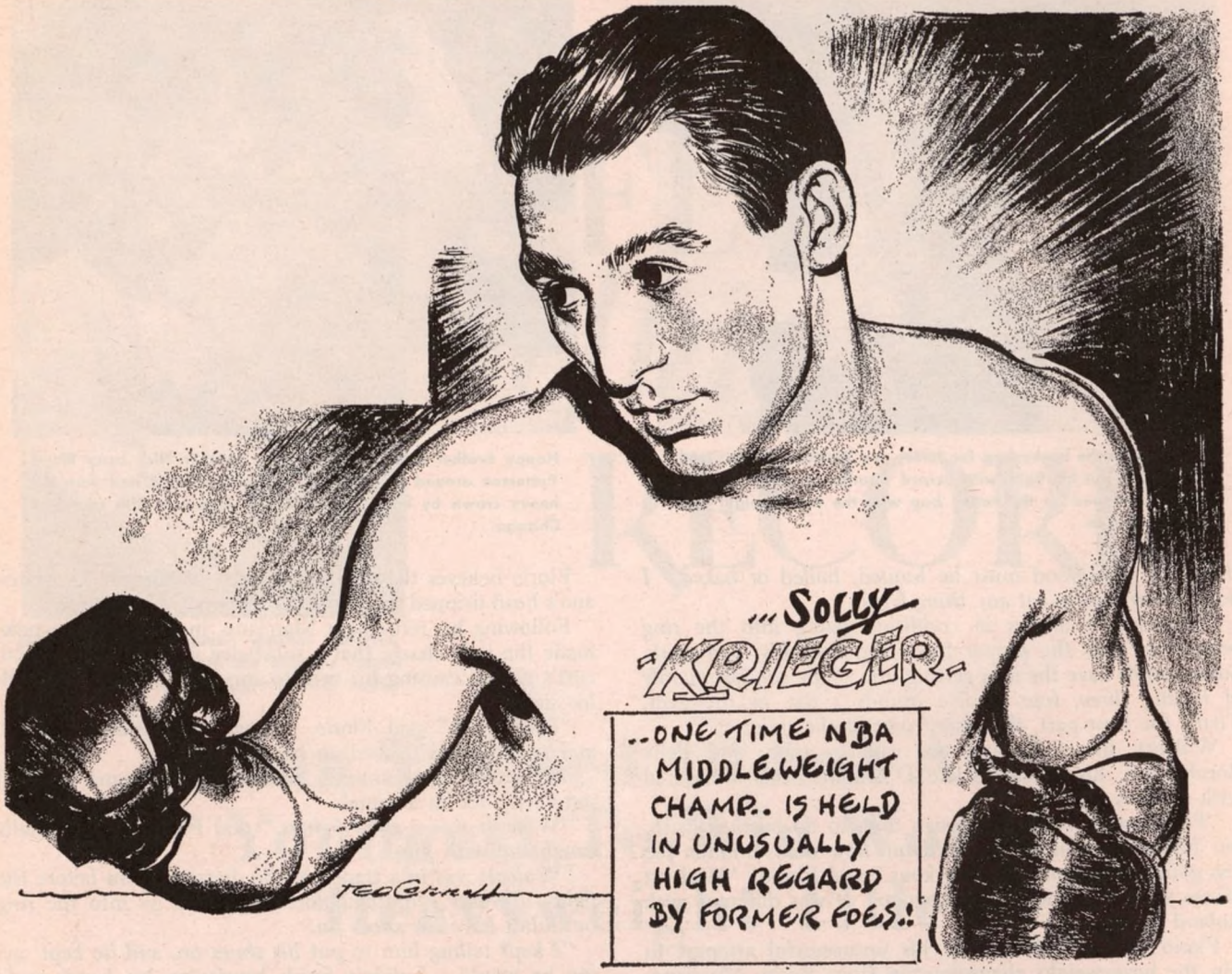

Krieger, "Fighters' Fighter"

By TED CARROLL

IN New York for the first Robinson-Basilio bout. last year, Billy Conn was cornered in the IBC offices in Madison Sq. Garden by story-seeking scribes looking for new angles on the coming struggle for the middleweight title.

In the course of his comments on the impending scrap the old Pittsburgh "Collar-Ad", balding, a bit puffy but still handsome, veered off into a resume of his one-time opponents in the always potent 160 pound division.

"I can't understand why, when people start bringing up good middleweights, they seldom mention Solly Krieger," he said. *"I fought the guy three times, licked him twice, but in the one I lost in Pittsburgh I was sore all over for a week after. With Krieger you were in danger every second, the guy threw real bombs. Just ask anybody who ever fought him."*

Conn's estimate of Krieger doubtless was influenced by the indelible impression left on his memory, by the ferocious Pittsburgh battles between Oscar Rankins, bruising red-headed Negro battler from the coast, and Krieger.

"The greatest fight ever seen in Pittsburgh and the best I ever saw anywhere, was the one between Krieger and Rankins which Krieger won," Billy said.

Krieger called it quits in 1942, leaving behind him a reputation as one of the toughest, hardest hitting middleweights of his period. Solly was a *"fighters' fighter". "You had to be in there with him to really appreciate him as a fighter,"* was the unanimous opinion of his foes.

Nobody, after viewing his panicky, lacklustre performance against light hitting Vince Dundee in the Garden twenty-seven long years ago, would have predicted that he would go on to gain such high favor among those qualified to judge.

Dundee was a clever boxer, but he seldom stopped anybody, and when the referee called a halt to the match between Vince and the then promising Brooklyn boy, awarding the Baltimorean an eight round kayo, even manager Hymie Caplin, an incurable optimist, almost gave up on Solly.

"Like an accordion, he folds," wailed Hymie. *"His big chance, and he doesn't even try to throw a punch, and him with a wallop that can knock anybody's brains out!"*

Even that long ago, Krieger had been boxing professionally for three years. As *"Danny Auerbach"* he was among the first Golden Gloves standouts on the New York team. He discarded this borrowed moniker on turning "pro" in 1928.

KRIEGER WAS AT HIS BEST BEATING CONN IN PITTSBURGH.!

A native of the Williamsburgh section of Brooklyn, he was taken in hand by Caplin, then riding high with a flourishing stable of contenders. As mentor of Al Singer and Sid Terris, Hymie was no stranger to disappointment. Although he was greatly disillusioned, he persisted with Krieger after the Dundee debacle. Figuring a change of climate might re-vitalize the crestfallen Krieger, he took him out to the coast in 1932 but nothing startling happened out there.

Returning East, Solly went along in uninspired fashion until early in 1935, when, after seven years of boxing, something happened that brought about a complete metamorphosis in his method.

From a timid "tabby cat" he became transformed into the tearing tiger who was to evoke the previously mentioned accolades from Conn and others. A "safety first" performer as an amateur and up to then, he abruptly discarded his conservative tactics, making the radical switch to the rough-and-ready, free swinging style with which he was to become identified.

In 1935 Krieger knocked out seven of his nine opponents, one of them being Tom Chester, highly touted amateur champion whom everyone was avoiding. The next year nine of his fifteen rivals were counted out. This was in 1936, the year of the still celebrated Krieger-Rankins classic in the Smoky City. Krieger had lost the first meeting between the two sluggers, but was called the victor in the second after ten of the bitterest rounds of fighting ever seen anywhere, on Oct. 22, 1936.

Mickey Walker's retirement as middleweight champion in 1931 had left the class a house divided, with no one able to gain universal acclaim as its head, mainly because of a childish tug-of-war between the New York Boxing Commission and the NBA over the right to crown the new king.

This condition still prevailed in 1937. By then Krieger had established himself as a solid factor in the division. So much so, that the New York body named Fred Apostoli and Krieger No. 1 and 2 in the class. They met in the old Hippodrome on Feb. 17, 1937, in a Mike Jacobs sponsored show.

Although Krieger had a good night and fought well, Apostoli edged out the verdict, and in a return match in Jersey City, a cut eye halted Solly in the fifth round.

Checkmated in New York but no man to overlook any possibility, the canny Caplin hauled Krieger coastward, where NBA champion Al Hostak was holding forth in his native Northwest.

Before arriving in California, Krieger had come up with the outstanding victory of his career, over Conn on Dec. 17, 1937, and between Jan. and April 6, in 1938, he scored five successive knockouts. A couple of close losing decisions to rugged Glen Lee and Freddy Steele in the spring of 1938 were to prove the bait for the trap Hymie cleverly set for the Hostak people.

These two reverses, Hymie, let it be known, were due to Solly's trouble making 160 pounds. As if in support of this "theory," he insisted on 165 pound contracts for all further matches for his charge.

In one of three California contests, all of them knockout wins by Krieger, Caplin, after putting up a forfeit guaranteeing Krieger's making 165 pounds, blew the money when Solly came in one pound heavier.

This convinced Hostak's handlers that Krieger, while a worthwhile attraction on the strength of his punch and Eastern reputation, would also fight a losing battle with the scales in making 160 pounds, and would be a weakened target for their hard-hitting NBA titleholder.

This was just what Hymie wanted them to think. Solly, still strong at the weight, wound up with Hostak's title after pummelling the slugging, but crude Westerner for fifteen rounds on Nov. 1, 1938.

And so it was in his eleventh year of pro battling, that Krieger gained a claim to the world's middleweight title, becoming the last American boxer of the Jewish faith to gain such ring distinction.

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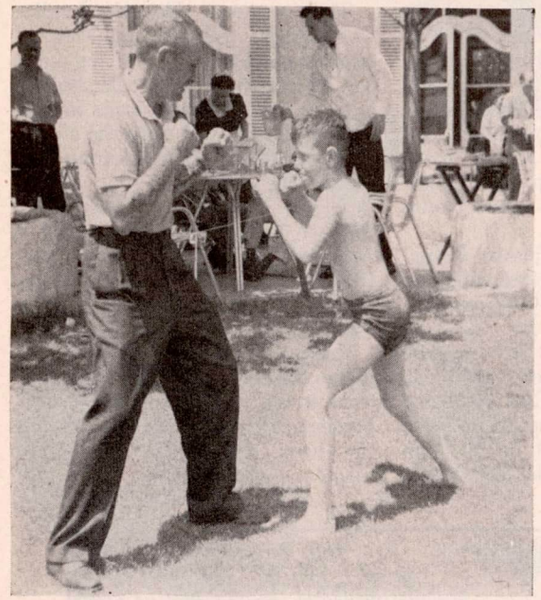
"THE KRIEGER-RANKINS FIGHT WAS THE BEST I EVER SAW..." ...Says BILLY CONN..

NOW IN ARMY, ONETIME LIGHTWEIGHT KING DOESN'T SPARE HIMSELF FOR LOST YEARS

LEW JENKINS GIVES HIMSELF HELL

PART ONE OF TWO PARTS



Lew Jenkins, former lightweight champion of the world, gives his son, Lew, Jr., a few pointers in California where Lew, on furlough, had been imported to help train fellow Texan Ray Harris.

By LESTER BROMBERG

FLOYD PATTERSON was training for his fight with Roy Harris, in a chromium plated camp at Oceanside, Cal. In walked a man who evoked memories—Lew Jenkins, the Texan who won the lightweight championship.

"This sort of place makes me jealous," Lew drawled.

"I got nobody to blame," he added. *"I chased myself out of the big time before I had a chance to appreciate it . . . crazy, drunk and plain stupid. . . . I didn't have the brains to know what an honor it was to have a champion's training camp."*

Today, almost 42, he is Master Sergeant Lew Jenkins, almost 16 years in the United States Army, a decorated battle veteran and tautly self-disciplined. He hasn't touched liquor in 10 years, he's a devoted home-lover and even a church-goer.

The other Lew Jenkins, for the younger generation, should he briefly recapped. One of the finest lightweight punchers of all time, he burst onto the New York scene in the summer of 1939. Within seven months he was world's champion.

His light burned brightly for about a year and a half despite his efforts to drown it in alcohol. When everything caught up with him soon thereafter, his title went, his fame, his money too. He seemed headed for the bottom—and he barely missed it.

What Lew has learned since, and how he learned it, is the background for the interesting picture he presented this summer when he caught up with old sports writing friends in Los Angeles. On leave from his present army post, Fort Ord, near Monterey, California, he saw heavyweight champion Patterson stop his fellow Texan, Harris, after having spent time in the two camps.

Jenkins' leathery, tough hands had their familiar firm grip on greeting when the writer met him at Arrowhead Springs, Harris' camp in the scrubby brown foothills of the San Bernardino Mountains.

Arrowhead is a still elegant resort built about the time Lew was hitting the headlines and he looked around nostalgically.

"It's a beautiful setup all right," he said. *"Makes me think of Grossinger's. . . ."*

It was at that swank mountain greenery in the Catskills near New York that Jenkins had gone to train for a fight with triple crown Henry Armstrong. Instead of working hard, he had carried on wildly. He finally walked out.

"I didn't know what I was doing up there, I never went to bed before 2 A.M. and I got up only in time to go to the bar. . . . I knew I was going to lose the fight and I didn't care.

"Why did I leave? You know how it is when you're drinking, Katie (then his wife) and I got mad at each other. Oh, she had a reason. . . . When she came up, she found out I'd done just one day's roadwork in a couple of weeks.

"Katie said, 'I'll take you some place where you will have to train,' so I just went. . . ."

It didn't help any. True to his own expectations, he got knocked out by Armstrong. It happened in the sixth.

In his lately acquired golf taste (Lew shoots in the 80s), he regretted having never set foot on the 18-hole course at Grossinger's.

"I wish I had played. I would have stayed champ a lot longer. Golf is a great game for keeping your legs in shape."

It is Jenkins' recollection that, of all his New York fights, the only one he trained properly for was with Tippy Larkin, standout New Jersey boxer-puncher called the Garfield Gunner. He finished off Larkin in the first round.

Three months earlier in Madison Square Garden Lew had ice-packed Billy Marquart, notable midwestern belter, in three rounds.

"For that one, I pulled a big drunk. My birthday was on Dec. 4, we fought on Dec. 15. That whole time I wasn't sober except for a couple of days."

"Coming up to this camp (Harris') and finding out he didn't drink, I was surprised. To the best of my recollection, there has never been a Texas fighter who didn't drink whiskey," Lew said.

Al Weill, manager of Lou Ambers, tough little lightweight champion of the mid-1930s, evidently was banking on that Texas reputation of Jenkins for carousing when he took him on for a title fight in the Garden on May 10, 1940. But Jenkins amazed Ambers with his right-hand thunderbolts. He stiffened Ambers in the third round, the first time for Lou in a long career.

Weill didn't want to believe it, so the next year he matched Ambers again with Jenkins. He imagined that making 135 pounds might have weakened his man. As a result, the return was over the class limit.

As usual, Jenkins trained on good times, always was a struggle for him to leave the bar.

"I remember one night trying to get back in time for roadwork . . . wrecked my car on a bridge returning to Doc Bier's old camp at Pompton Lakes, New Jersey . . . ripped open some stitches on my head, seven I think there were.

"Everybody must have been disgusted with me—with good reason. When I got back, nobody was there. I was sick as a dog, I had a fever, it could have been pneumonia. I went to bed to sweat it out and I did.

"On the day of the fight, I got to drinking after the weigh-in. I saw a couple of Ambers when I got in there. The first couple of rounds I was as blind as I've ever been in my life. I thought I would fall down.

"Then I nailed him with a left hook and a right to the body and I could hear him grunt. Now I knew I was going to knock him out. I told my corner I would do it in the seventh round. I figured it would take just about that much time to sweat the whiskey out of me."

Shortly thereafter Jenkins bought a Cadillac in Dallas and drove it to New York, where he abandoned it in a parking lot. He then took a plane to Miami. There he purchased a motorcycle to get him back to New York.

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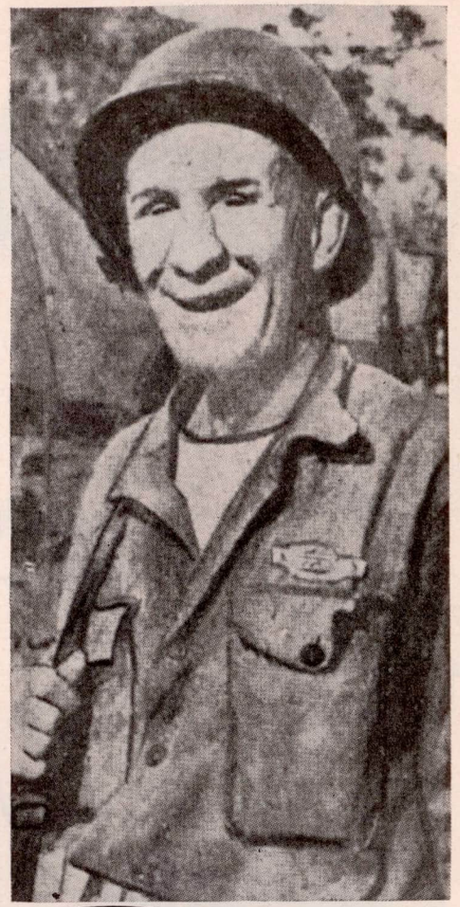
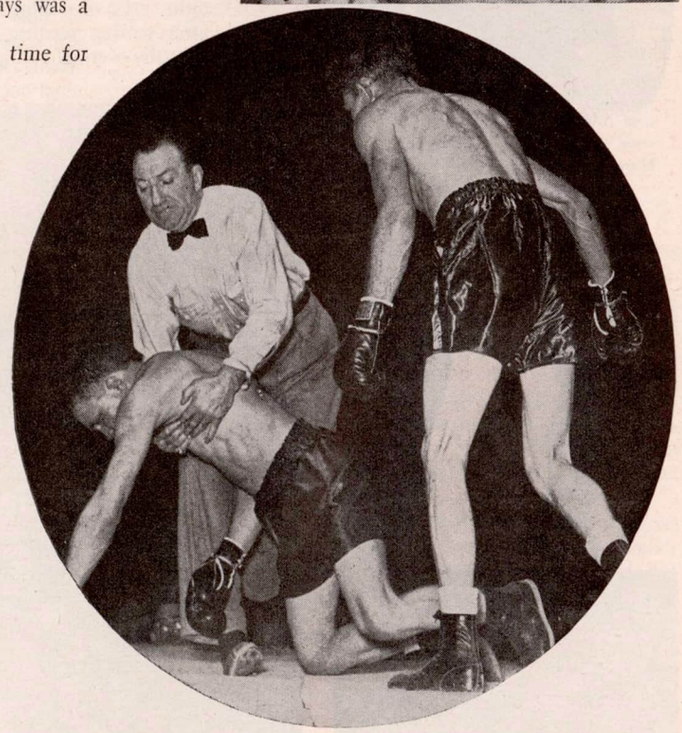
Master Sgt. Lew Jenkins is now an instructor of recruits at Fort Ord, California. A regular army man, Lew will be eligible for retirement in four years. No longer wild and reckless the new Lew is a sensible, solid citizen.





Lew Jenkins met Lou Ambers on two occasions, the first time he blasted Ambers out from under his lightweight crown in three rounds with his right-hand punch. In their second meeting (non-title) Jenkins entered the ring "loaded" but by the seventh round he had gotten over the effects of the beverage and was able to kayo Ambers. Above photo shows the end of their second fight.

By JERSEY JONES

Changing STYLES

IT will be interesting to observe the future ring deportment of Genorace (Gene-Ace) Armstrong, the Elizabeth, N. J., middleweight, who uncovered unsuspected punching power by scoring four knockdowns while drubbing Rory Calhoun in Madison Square Garden recently.

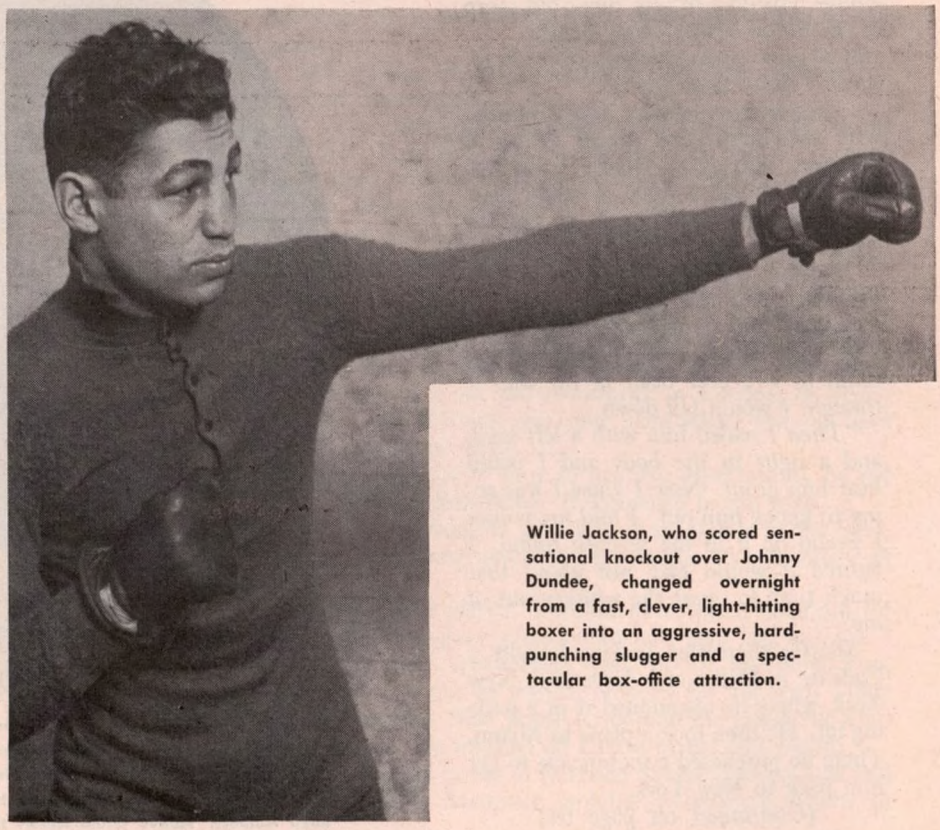
Until that bout Armstrong was what baseball authorities classify as "good field, no hit." He was fast and clever but lacked even a reasonable facsimile of an authoritative punch. In fourteen professional starts he had amassed a grand total of exactly ONE knockout—and that was of the "technical" variety. A bout with Eddie Thompson at New York's St. Nicholas Arena had been stopped in the seventh round because of nasty gashes around Thompson's eyes.

But there was nothing questionable about the four knockdowns Armstrong scored over Calhoun. They were all accounted for by clean punches to Rory's chin.

Just what effect that surprising performance is apt to have on Armstrong's future ring operations is something that remains to be seen.

A suddenly "discovered" punch can have a strange psychological reaction on a previously light-hitting boxer. Often it can change his entire style of milling. We've known quite a few cases of ringsters who, after scoring startling knockouts over prominent opponents, switched virtually overnight from speedy but punchless boxers into aggressive, hard-

Benny Leonard, who added deadly sharpshooting to brilliant boxing skill and kayo punching to become one of the greatest lighweight champions in ring history.



Willie Jackson, who scored sensational knockout over Johnny Dundee, changed overnight from a fast, clever, light-hitting boxer into an aggressive, hard-punching slugger and a spectacular box-office attraction.

hitting sluggers. Two notable cases were New York lightweights, Willie Jackson of Harlem and Joe Tiplitz of Brooklyn, who flourished during the late 1910s and early '20s.

THAT DUNDEE EPISODE.

Jackson was only 16 when he began fighting as a bantamweight in 1913. By the end of 1916 he had grown into a 130-pounder and was as popular in Philadelphia as he was in his native New York.

Willie (right name Oscar Tobler) was a speedy kid and a clever boxer but his punch was of the feather-duster species. In four years of busy campaigning he had stopped only four opponents in fifty-nine bouts.

It didn't seem that the great Johnny Dundee was taking much of a risk when he squared off with Jackson in a January, 1917, match in Philadelphia. In seven years and nearly 150 battles with the best featherweights and lightweights in the world, including Johnny Kilbane, Joe Rivers, Willie Ritchie, Charley White, Freddie Welsh, Matt Wells, Leach Cross, Richie Mitchell, Joe Mandot, Rocky Kansas, Joe Welling, Frankie Callahan and Benny Leonard, Dundee had never been knocked out and it was rare indeed when anyone even knocked him down.

The bout with Jackson had hardly gone a minute when Dundee, bouncing off the ropes, ran smack-dab into a jolting right. His knees buckled for the moment. Indignant, Johnny decided to teach the upstart Jackson a lesson. With his dazzling speed he crowded a bewildered Jackson against the ropes. Measuring Willie with his left, Dundee prepared to throw his right. Suddenly Jackson lashed out with his own right. It crashed against Johnny's chin. The veteran toppled to the canvas. Instinctively, Dundee was trying to rise when the referee counted ten. The round had gone 2 minutes, 35 seconds.

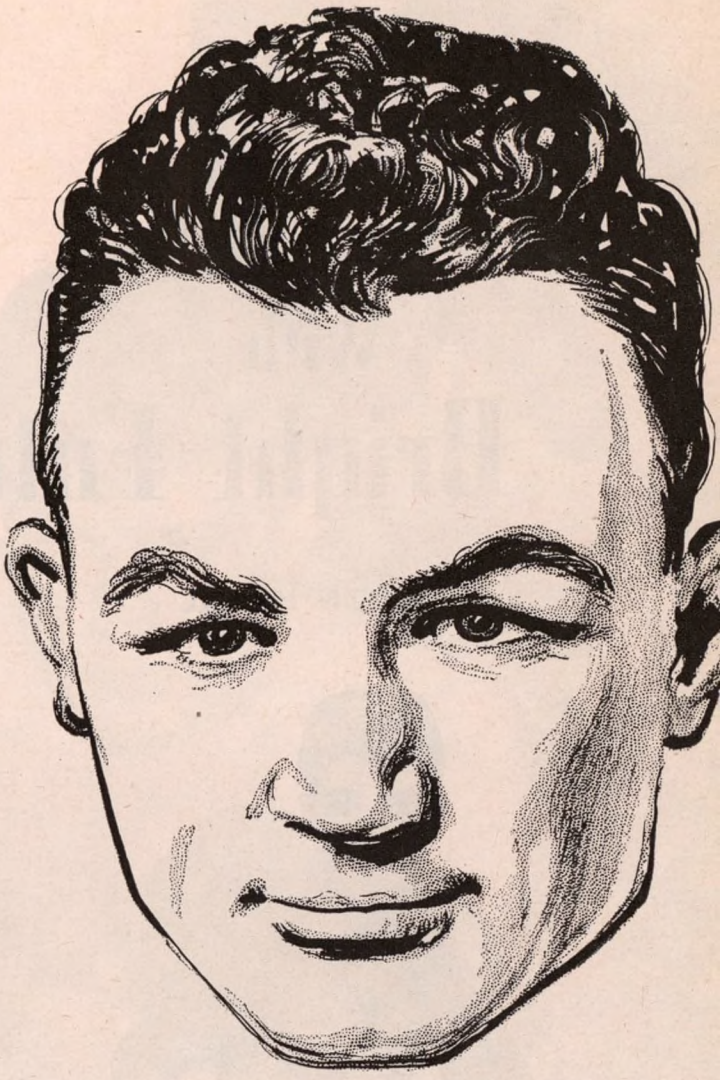
Overnight, that sensational victory catapulted Jackson into the top rank of the lightweight division—and it also changed his style. No longer did he rely upon speed and cleverness to outpoint his opponents. Convinced that he was now a puncher, Willie transformed himself into a riproaring two-fisted slugger, one of the most spectacular "club fighters" of the era, and a tremendous attraction from one end of the United States to the other. For the next six years, until he retired at the end of 1922, Jackson was one of the busiest performers and most prolific moneymakers in the lightweight division. His series with Dundee became one of the classics of ring lore. The rivals spread their feud across ten meetings—four in New York, two in Jersey City and single episodes in New Haven, Milwaukee, Newark and Boston. In a total of 117 rounds of milling, Jackson never was able to repeat that sensational Philadelphia victory, but Willie did wind up with a slight edge in the final scoring.

TIPLITZ'S "BIG BREAK."

It was one of those strange whims of the capricious gods of ring destiny that Philadelphia also was the scene of Tiplitz's "big break." It was during the summer of 1919, and Joe hadn't yet reached his 20th birthday.

When professional boxing passed out of New York State with the repeal of the Frawley law late in 1917, Tiplitz was among the hordes of Gotham ringsters who headed for other fields. An obscure preliminary kid at the time, Joe crossed the Hudson River and did some campaigning for a while in New Jersey rings. Working his way to Philadelphia, he asked Phil Glassman, manager of Lew Tendler, to handle him. Phil tried him out in a couple of minor bouts, and while Tiplitz showed himself to be a fast kid with fair boxing ability, he didn't impress Glassman too favorably. Phil was undecided whether or not the Brooklynite was worth bothering with when the opportunity suddenly came along for him to put Tiplitz to a real test.

George (K. O.) Chaney was clamoring for a return match



Tom Gibbons, who was a 30-year old veteran with ten years of ring campaigning behind him when he suddenly "discovered" how to combine a knockout punch with skillful boxing, and the combination earned him a match with Jack Dempsey for the world heavyweight title which was held on July 4, 1923.

with Tendler, who had just knocked him out. Promoters Bobby Gunnis and Herman Taylor were lining up an all-star card of four eight-rounders for Shibe Park. Tendler topped the card with Joe Welling. Other matches pitted Harry Greb against Battling Levinsky and Ted (Kid) Lewis against Steve Latzo. The promoters were planning to use Chaney in the other bout. This gave Glassman an idea. "Chaney wants to fight Tendler again," he said to Gunnis and Taylor. "Well, let him earn the match. Put him in with Tiplitz. If he can beat Joe, we'll give him another chance at Lew."

Glassman hardly could have asked for a more dangerous "test" for the young Brooklynite. Pound for pound, Chaney was probably the hardest hitter the ring had produced—but he also was noted for a not too rugged chin.

A SURPRISE KNOCKOUT.

For two rounds Tiplitz skittered and scampered around the ring like a scared jack-rabbit. Chaney couldn't catch him. In the third round the Baltimore southpaw changed his tactics. Instead of chasing after Tiplitz, he began to maneuver him into a corner. Midway through the round he succeeded. Tiplitz was trapped.

As Chaney moved in for "the kill," a frantic Tiplitz looked

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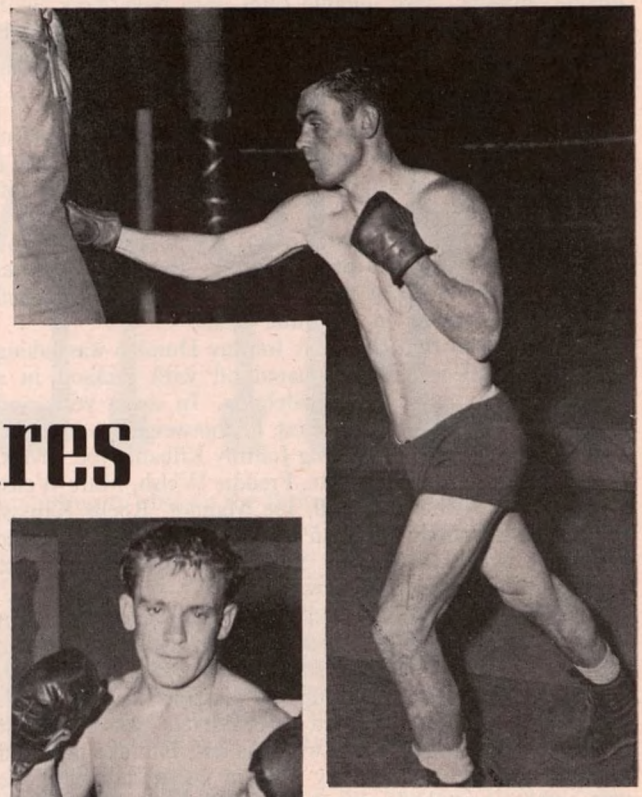
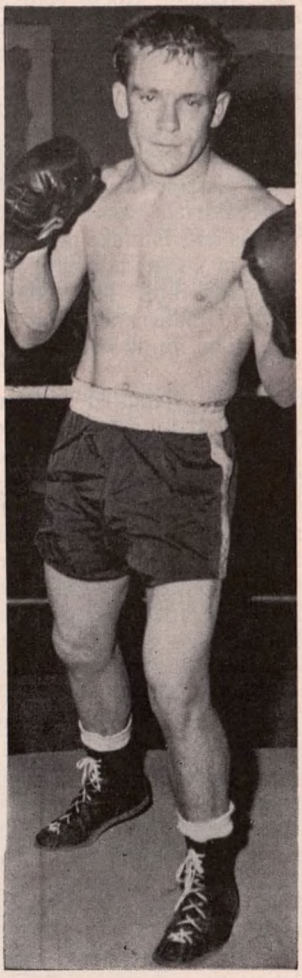
New Englanders With Bright Futures

By DON HAMILL



Jamaica Plain, Mass., can be proud of Joe Devlin, an up and coming welterweight with a snappy jab.

Joe DeNucci, a middleweight from Newton, Mass., has won fourteen straight contests, ten of them by the kayo route.



Gordon Parker, a lightweight from Athol, Mass., with a good record, who shows promise as a socker.

FOR years Sam Silverman of Boston has been promoting fights in New England in about every city with a large enough hall. Sad Sam has presented shows in Boston, Worcester, Providence, Woonsocket, New Bedford, Fall River, Brockton, Revere, Salem, Lynn, Lowell, Athol, Holyoke, Pittsfield, and North Adams, to name only a few spots. This summer he ran weekly outdoor fights in Norwood, Mass.

Because of the number of his clubs he has been instrumental in developing many fighters who have made the grade. Among them are former undefeated heavyweight champion, Rocky Marciano; former world's welterweight champion, Tony DeMarco; contenders, Tommy Collins, Tommy Tibbs, Walter Byars; and the 1956 Rookie of the Year, Bobby Murphy.

The current crop of battlers being developed is laden with talent. Already heavy-fisted Billy Ryan of Lowell, hard-hitting Joe DeNucci of Newton, strong Jimmy Kelley of Lowell, Jimmy Connors of New Bedford, Joe Devlin of Jamaica Plain, Dick Hall and Jackson Brown of Boston, and Barry Allison of Springfield are main event fighters and capable of competing with the best in their class.

Among the promising talent also being developed in New England at the present time are Heavyweights: Lee Williams and Bob Woodall of Roxbury; Lightheavyweights: Cardell Farmos, Boston; Bob Young, Providence; Ray Drayton, Roxbury; and Eddie McDonough, Brighton; Middleweights: Joe Fusco of Waterbury; Bob Berdahl and Lou Sullivan of Boston; Mickey Dwyer and Young Beau Jack of Dorchester; and Willie Greene, Warwick, R. I.; Welterweights: Al Rose, Brookline; Joe DiPierro, Woonsocket; Jarrel Pate, Caribou AFS; Paul Stivaletta, Dedham; and Eddie Connors, Sharon, Mass.; Lightweights: Gordon Parker, Athol; Johnny Cuccinello, Lexington; George Walker, Providence; Psalm

Johnson, Hartford; Al King, Bristol, Conn.; Tommy Garrow, Claremont, N. H.; and Nick Previti, Boston; and Featherweight: Dick DiVola of Charlestown. A fine array of talent to be sure.

JOE DENUCCI

Joe DeNucci of Newton, Mass., is one of the harder punchers in the middleweight ranks. He comes from a family of boxers. His grandfather was fairly good forty-five to fifty years ago, and his father, Sandy, boxed amateur and pro for about eight years. His father is currently connected with the YMCA in Newton as an instructor. It was there when he was seven years old that Joe first became interested in boxing. It was not until he was sixteen that Joe began to take boxing seriously and entered a Golden Gloves tournament in Lowell. He won the tourney in 5 straight bouts but on entering the New England tournament, was beaten by Jackson Brown, who at that time held eight Army titles and went on to win the New England and the national titles.

Joe was born in Newton, August 30th, 1939. He graduated from Newton High School in June 1957. He is a quiet and very religious boy but an all around athlete. He played on a championship Little League baseball team when he was eleven years old and in high school played football. He played Twilight League baseball and swims with the YMCA swimming team.

After winning 26 amateur bouts DeNucci decided to turn pro. He kayoed Charles Smith, Lem Harvey, Joe Warren, Sandy Chani (twice), before he got his arch rival, Jackson Brown, back into the ring with him. DeNucci decisioned Brown. He repeated again three months later, and in a third match knocked out Brown with what was described as one of the hardest blows ever landed in Boston Garden. In his most recent bouts he won a decision over Johnny Cunningham of Baltimore and kayoed Joe Green in one.

DeNucci's idol is former welterweight champion of the world, Tony DeMarco, whom he very closely resembles. They are now stablemates, managed by Rip Valenti and trained by Sammy Fuller. DeNucci's record at

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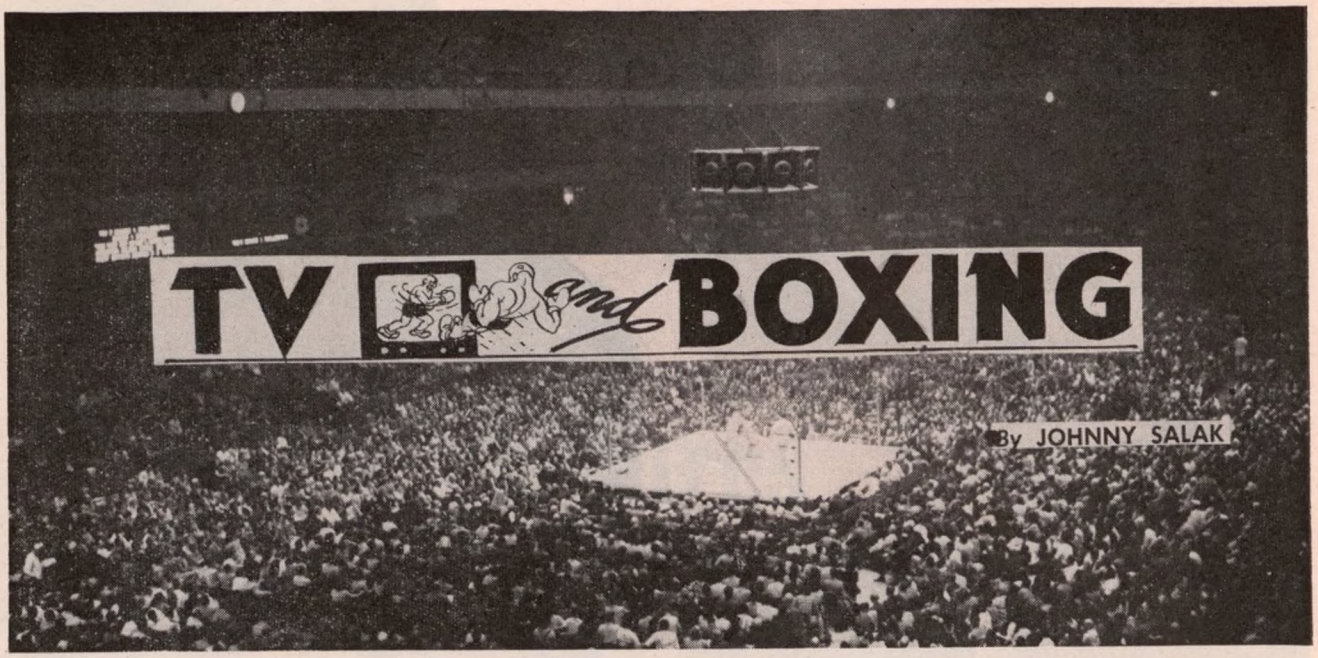
Foreground: Jimmy Kelley, a Greek, transplanted to Lowell, Mass. where he began his serious boxing career. He has been defeated but once in sixteen professional fights, by Willie Pep. Background: Al Rose, a 150 pounder from Brookline, Mass., who is a two-fisted crowd pleaser with a solid punch.



AFTER many early stories predicted woefully low or enthusiastically high figures for the close-circuit, final figures released by TelePrompTer showed that the Patterson-Harris title bout proved to be less than an attraction and still drew a creditable national audience of 196,762 spectators who paid out $763,437.

Early estimates ran from a $500,000 gross to a well-over-a-million figures, both of which proved to be wrong.

These official figures were announced by Irving B. Kahn, president of the TelePrompTer Corp, which conducted the theater telecast.

The total income was more than enough to cover the $210,000 guarantee to Patterson, and still enable the theater-TV people to make a profit of between $25,000 and $50,000, according to Kahn. The figures do not include motion picture receipts.

"Patterson's share from television and films will approach or exceed $250,000," Kahn said, "well above his guarantee."

Kahn said he was satisfied with the theater TV returns and expressed the belief that this medium is going to be increasingly important in future promotions of boxing and other major sports events.

He pointed out that while the number of seats was close to his prediction, the receipts were lower because the average price seat was only $3.88 instead of an anticipated $4.50.

This was primarily due, he said, to the failure of Harris' home state of Texas to sell as many tickets as expected.

He listed New York, Chicago, Boston and San Francisco among the cities which disappointed him in the sale of seats.

On the other hand, Detroit, Denver, San Diego, Miami and Washington were among the major cities where business was good.

TV BOXING

WEDNESDAY

WEDNESDAY NIGHT FIGHTS emanating from various cities (ABC-TV Network), Jack Drees, Announcer.

FRIDAY

† CAVALCADE OF SPORTS, Madison Square Garden, New York, and other cities (NBC-TV Network), Jimmy Powers, Announcer.

SATURDAY

LEGION STADIUM, Hollywood (KHJ-TV).

† Also heard over NBC Radio Network, Don Dunphy, Announcer.

"I think we've established several things about this type of closed circuit presentation," Kahn said. "We all recognize that we are establishing a continuity for closed-circuit fight programming. It no longer is a once-in-a-while gimmick but has become a steady business.

"The most significant thing to come out of this latest promotion is that it is possible to put on a not-very-attractive fight on closed circuit TV and still make a profit.

"We certainly intend to involve ourselves with more fights, more than we originally intended to. We also are investigating the possibility of showing some fights on a regional basis."

TelePrompTer and its local exhibitors divided the closed-circuit take evenly, with Patterson getting 60 per cent of TelePrompTer's share. He also received half the Wrigley Field net, bringing the champion's cut to $330,416 plus movies, from which he paid Harris $100,000.

Theater business fluctuated across the nation. It was poor in New York, below expectations in Chicago and Boston. It did a whopping 93.7 per cept of capacity in New Orleans, 87.7 per cent in Tampa, 72.7 in three Miami theaters, 91.3 in Denver and 83.7 in the biggest arena in San Diego. One theater in Washington, D. C. had a virtual sellout, another had 7.82 of capacity and a third only 33 per cent.

Kahn said he overestimated the financial return on the fight because he had misleading information. He had been led to expect a sellout, at relatively high prices, in Texas, the only state where Harris had been seen before this bout. In Conroe, the city closest to Harris' home in Cut and Shoot, advance estimates put attendance at 10,000 at prices up to $10.

Actually, Conroe sold 1,800 tickets at figures nearer to $5.

Three outlets in Houston did $58,500, while Conroe managed only $26,000 worth of business. Dallas grossed $36,000, Ft. Worth $12,000, Shreveport, La., $10,000 and Amarillo, Waco, Austin and El Paso all in excess of $5,000. All of Texas had paid admissions of 40,000 and grossed about $180,000.

FIFTY MILLION REASONS

The reason for the insistence of the closed-circuit people to move into the sports field was graphically pointed out by Sponsor, a trade magazine, which reported that televising of sports had become nearly a $50,000,000 per year business.

The magazine gave a network-by-network breakdown of sports revenue, which counts times, rights, production, and cable costs. Total for NBC TV

was $24,445,000, CBS TV $14,535,000 and ABC TV $5,300,000, the grand total being $47,080,000.

A major portion of this cost, surprisingly, was for two weekly nationally televised boxing shows, the Cavalcade of Sports on NBC-TV ($6,750,000) plus the Friday post fights program ($2,500,000) and the Wednesday fights on CBS TV ($5,300,000). Boxing was the biggest single sports "item" for NBC TV and ABC TV and for the combined total of all three networks. CBS TV, which for many years had the Wednesday night fights, does not have a boxing program at this time.

AERIAL WARFARE

One of the more interesting aspects of the Patterson-Harris heavyweight title bout was that despite legal action taken against WOR-Radio (New York) to prevent the station from presenting a news summary of the bout, WOR proceeded with its plans to report this news event.

Stan Lomax, veteran WOR sportscaster, presented a summary of the fight as furnished by the news services after every three rounds starting at 11:15 PM, New York time.

In an effort to prevent this broadcast, TelePrompTer Corporation served WOR-Radio with legal papers seeking an injunction against the station, claiming that it had the exclusive radio, TV and motion picture rights for the bout in the New York area.

State Supreme Court Justice George Tilzer prohibited WOR and two other New York stations from broadcasting "present tense" accounts of the championship bout. But there the restriction ended.

Lomax, as planned, went ahead giving round-by-round accounts of the fight in the past tense, as they were taken off the wire service news tickers and were received in the WOR studios as the fight was in progress.

Robert J. Leder, Vice President and General Manager of WOR, said, "We believe it was our duty, in the interest of the entire broadcasing industry to bring a news report of the Floyd Patterson-Roy Harris championship fight to our listeners as soon as possible.

"As a station which concentrates on news gathering and reporting, we had an obligation to our audience to report all-major news happenings. This fight was news and we intended to disseminate this news to our listeners as soon as possible.

"We at WOR believe a broadcaster has the same privileges of freedom of the press accorded other news media. Apart from the news interest in the bout itself, we were

WOR sportscaster Stan Lomax (center) briefs news editor Gene Lushbaugh (right) before the heavyweight title bout on how copy should be handled during radio broadcast. Pete Gardiner (left) acted as liaison between newsroom and Lomax's studio.

Stan Lomax signed on the air for WOR (New York) at 11:15 P.M. with color and background on Floyd Patterson and Roy Harris. Minutes later (clock inset) he was getting the first blow by blow report via United Press. Announcer Ted Mallie stands by.

further prompted to proceed with our plans because of the overall implications that any restraint of this type might have for the entire broadcasting field."

The ruling of Justice Tilzer reaffirmed rights gained in 1953, that court ruling growing out of plans for delayed broadcasting coverage of the Marciano-LaStarza bout. The ruling established the right of radio and TV as journalistic media to broadcast news reports of the fight, round by round, after each round had occurred but as soon as the news became available through the wire services and while the fight was still in progress. The ruling was handed down by Justice Irving L. Levey of the Supreme Court of New York.

In addition to Stan Lomax working from UPI wire service reports, WOR had John H. Smith doing the commentary from the running account put on the wires by AP, and Les Kieter handled the mike for WINS.

GHOST OF A CHANCE

Though there was a complete blackout of the Patterson-Harris title fight—or so the officials thought—at least one family up in North Bay, Ontario, Canada watched it on their television set.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Levesque said they watched the last four rounds on their own television set. Reception was "extremely good, but there was no sound."

"We decided to run down channels after the 11 P. M. news and suddenly picked up the fight on Channel 4," Mrs. Levesque said. "It was coming in so clear we could see how Harris' face had been cut up."

Freak reception is believed to have been the reason why the Levesque's received the picture.

CHANNEL HOPPING. . . . The Basilio-Aragon bout which grossed $235,000, hitting a new Pacific Coast record, was seen on national TV (NBC-TV) but was blacked out before a 300 mile radius of Los Angeles.

With the September 10th Mickey Crawford-Ralph (Tiger) Jones fight at Chicago Stadium, the Wednesday Night Bouts, seen nationally over ABC-TV, hit a milestone, their 400th show . . . during that time, the fights originated from fifty-nine sites—the series began on September 27, 1950, a title bout between Ezzard Charles and Joe Louis . . . forty more title bouts followed in the next eight years, an average of five a year.

Art Aragon sitting in his corner after the fight. Completely exhausted and unable to continue. Note the cuts on his face.

NEW YORK GETS BIG FIGHT

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can get home the combinations he delivered against Aragon, he has a far better than an even chance to regain the championship. That's what makes a Robinson-Basilio contest the best attraction in any division.

Though Basilio didn't knock out Aragon who was stopped while still on his feet, the bout goes into the records as a knockout in the eighth round. Referee Tommy Hart halted the affair just as Aragon chief second hurled the towel into the ring acknowledging defeat, but Hart wasn't aware of the second's action.

It was a tough battle despite the one-sided victory in which I gave the loser only one round—the fifth. Terrific body punches mixed with powerful blows to the head and jaw, wore the Golden Boy of California down to the point where he served as a punching bag for his opponent. Only occasionally could Art land his good left hook and stinging right, but when he did connect, Basilio's head bobbed back with a jerk. Unfortunately for Aragon, he couldn't hit the target except at intervals, due to the piston-like attack of his rival who fought the full three minutes of each round, pounding away with both hands.

The 22,500 persons who viewed his latest battle, left Wrigley Field convinced that Carmen was none the worse for the beating he had taken from Ray and that Robinson had better be well prepared if he hopes to retain his throne when he faces his Chittennago rival again.

CARMEN, PERFECTLY PRIMED GIVES EXCELLENT EXHIBITION

Discussing his condition in his California encounter, Basilio said:

"I was in top condition for this fight. I honestly believe I was better prepared for Aragon than I was for any of my title bouts. I went three minutes at full speed in every round—something I had never done before, and when a fighter can do that, he knows he is in excellent condition. I now feel more so than ever that I can whip Robinson and I only hope he doesn't change his mind again and retire before I get my chance to regain the title. Should he retire, then I'll fight Akins for the welterweight title. Few except you New York newspapermen know that five days before this fight, I weighed only 148 pounds. Then I laid off working and every day after that, my managers made me drink a bottle of imported ale to add to my weight.

"When I scaled 155½, you fellows were astonished. You thought I weighed too much and would be too slow for Aragon. Well I never scaled that much before but believe me, I felt stronger than ever and I was faster in my movements than in any other of my fights. For my last fight with Robinson my managers wanted me to build up to 156, but I pleaded I would lose my speed. Now I'm convinced that's what I should have scaled then and it is what I hope to weigh when I next meet Robinson."

ARAGON AT HIS BEST IN FIFTH ROUND ATTACK

Aside from the first round, which Basilio won by a shade, a round in which there were many hard punches delivered by each fighter, Aragon was a perfect target for an assortment of powerful wallops for the next three rounds. Then came the only frame in which he opened up with an attack that had Basilio in danger.

The pattern suddenly changed in the fifth round with Art tossing everything he had in an effort to turn the tide. Against any less durable opponent, Art might have scored a kayo but he was up against an opponent such as he had never before faced and he quickly learned that it took more than a flurry to halt Basilio.

Carmen was stopped in his tracks with a solid left to the body as he came rushing in shortly after the bell clanged for the fifth and as the New Yorker moved in again, Art let go several left hooks and an overhand right that brought rounds of applause and shouts of "keep it up Art, you've got him," before Basilio suddenly took over again.

With a crouching style, Carmen moved in again and let go three left hooks to the body that almost doubled up his opponent, but in stepping back, Aragon shot a right to Basilio's jaw that stunned him. It was his best punch.

The crowd came to its feet screeching for Aragon to let go again. They sensed an upset and now rooted hard for the local lad.

Aragon didn't let them down. Two more left hooks to the mid-section brought more applause for Art and then just when it appeared he had the upper hand and was now taking over and that Carmen would be the first to crack, the New Yorker shot back a powerful right that knocked Art into the corner, against the ropes and from here on, he again became a target for lefts and rights until Aragon could weave out of the danger zone.

Then he staged another flurry and landed two beauties, left hooks to Carman's jaw and a straight right to the left side of Carmen's face that slowed up the New Yorker. But those stiff blows couldn't stop Basilio. With a minute more to go, he took over and until the bell sounded, he pummeled away with lefts and rights and had Aragon wilted as the bell sounded.

FIFTH ONLY ROUND WON BY CALIFORNIA'S GOLDEN BOY

It was by far the best round of the fight and I gave it to Aragon by one point—the only round he earned on my card and on the majority of the scribes. Most of the reporters and one of the officials gave the round to Art though some called it an even affair because of the last minute excellent drive of Basilio.

From that round until Referee Hart decided the affair had become too one-sided, Art didn't have a chance. The Golden Boy had sought a rendezvous with the iron-jawed, punch-tossing, former welter and middleweight king and learned that he was far beyond his depth in assuming he was in the same class with Basilio.

Asked in his dressing room if he would like a return bout, Aragon replied: *"Why not? But if I did, I'd want to take a gun into the ring with me. I'd never ask for the fight to be stopped, and I certainly didn't, but I didn't want to go 12 rounds with him, either. I was sick to my stomach after the beating he gave me and I was satisfied I had enough when Referee Hart stopped it," said Art.* Art had a slit more than an inch above and below his left eye.

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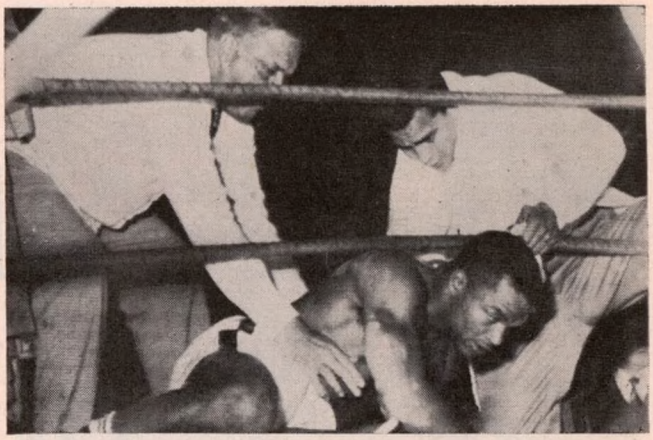
Eddie Machen of California jarred and reeling from a right-hand smash delivered by Ingemar Johansson of Sweden during their bout at Gothenburg, Sweden.



Machen, after being dropped three times is counted out in 2:16 of the first round. Johansson gained recognition as the number one challenger for heavyweight honors with this, his twenty-first straight victory.

Johansson Tops Challengers

By WILLIAM P. HAMILTON

Quick knockout of Eddie Machen makes him the leading contender for Patterson's crown—Promoters rush for his services.

GOTHENBURG-SWEDEN (*Special to The Ring*)—INGEMAR JOHANSSON, European heavyweight champion who for many months has been rated by "The Ring," did not let this publication down in its faith in his ability to make the grade as a contender for world heavyweight honors. Before a gathering of 55,000 fight enthusiasts in the open air Ullevi Stadium, a gathering that paid $280,000 to see the "contest," the Pride of Sweden knocked out Eddie Machen of Redding, California, rated Number Two in world selections in the first round and by his feat gained world acclaim as a suitable opponent for Floyd Patterson in a title bout.

His sensational triumph, followed three knockdowns that ended the battle in 2.16 when Referee Edward Smythe of Ireland counted the fatal ten over the partially unconscious victim. The victory brought more joy to Sweden than any recent event in any form of athletics.

The victor, who now has a perfect record of 21 wins including thirteen knockouts since he turned professional after the 1952 Olympic Games when he finished second to the late Eddie Saunders of America, based on a disqualification for running and not fighting, is 26 years old. He is strong, sturdy built, a physical specimen of whom his countrymen are proud.

With his one-sided, quick victory, came offers from all parts of the world. Jack Solomons, on the scene to see the action, quickly tried to corner the European champ with a fabulous offer. So did Bill Rosensohn of New York, who staged the Patterson-Roy Harris fight in California a few weeks ago. Though he declared he was eager to sign Johansson for himself, the general opinion is that he was representing a syndicate in which Tele-Prompter was concerned. Rosensohn offered Johansson $100,000 to sign for a bout with Patterson in New York or California, but Edwin Ahlquist, manager of the Swede and promoter of his latest fight, decided to await further developments.

The latter refers to the International Boxing Club which is eager to stage the return bout between Johansson and Machen in Chicago and has offered to sign him for several other contests including a bout with Patterson if such can now be made. However, Ahlquist realizes that the I.B.C. and Cus D'Amato, manager of Patterson are at odds, and he wants an assurance that if he signs with the I.B.C., he was not to be blacklisted by D'Amato.

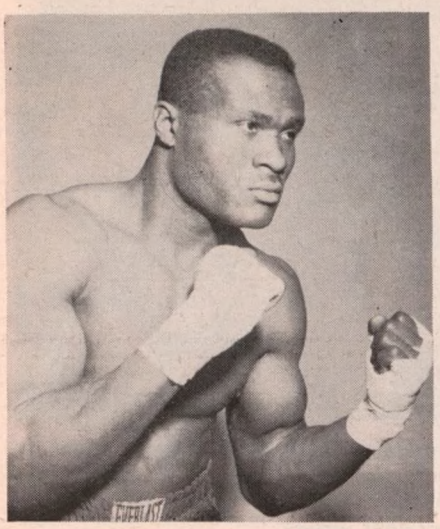
However, the European Boxing Union, well represented at the fight, has assured Ahlquist that his fighter's status as a contender will be fully protected by it and the World Boxing Championship Committee. Truman Gibson, president of the International Boxing Club contacted both the fighter and manager and it now remains to be seen which organization will land the plum. Not in years has Europe had a heavyweight champion with the drawing power of Johannson, hence the reason for the rush for his services.

As for the fight with Machen, the American didn't have a look-in. The six foot, 198 pound Swede cut him down with such swiftness that it was astounding. After blasting the visitor to the canvas twice for counts of eight, the husky Swede finished his groggy opponent with a solid right to the head and a fast barrage of rights and lefts that left Machen unprotected and a ready subject for the knockout.

After Referee Smythe had counted him out, Machen was dragged to his corner by Sid Flaherty, his manager and his seconds, and Ingemar, realizing he had scored such an unbelievable knockout considering he was the underdog in the betting at 2 to 1, raised his hands over his head in joy while a weeping mob rose almost in unison to cheer their hero. Many rushed to the ringside in the hopes of greeting their countryman while others tried to carry him to his dressing room. It was only after pleas by the fighter that he was permitted to go unassisted.

It was a flashing right to the chin that sent Eddie sprawling to the canvas in 1:13 for the first down and another solid right to the jaw sent him down for the second time. Then Machen, forced into a corner, was bombarded with lefts and rights for the kill.

From all appearances, judging by reports, the International Boxing Club will be given the most attention in the campaign that is going to be mapped out by Manager Ahlquist for Johansson's appearance in America.



AND NEVER THE McBRIDE

Archie McBride, Though He Has Only Four Victories Over Last Seven Years, Once Again Proves To Be One Of The Most Dangerous Heavyweights In The Business

By JOHNNY SALAK

WHAT do you write about a guy who has had only sixteen bouts spread over the last seven years? And to boot, has won only four of them!

Well, someone else had the same idea recently and they vehemently decried a proposed Archie McBride-Tony Anthony bout in Syracuse.

"Look at his record," they screamed. He's not a fit opponent for Anthony. It's a mismatch. Loss after loss after loss and in between the losses long periods of inactivity."

The bill of goods was almost sold and Syracuse almost lost out on one of the most exciting fights of the season, the nationwide TV audience almost deprived of a thriller. Though he was dropped twice by one of the most powerful hitters in the business, McBride made a stirring fight of it only to lose by a split decision, one of a long line of close, exciting fights in which he was engaged.

Look at his record. His last sixteen bouts show that he was stopped three times and lost nine decisions. It leaves room for only a meager four victories.

A casual look at the record would indicate that his abilities are limited, or even non-existent, that he should seek employment elsewhere. A closer examination determines that he repeatedly meets the top men in the division, that the losses are often by so close a margin that a decision rendered the other way would have met with just as much approval, or disapproval.

It becomes apparent that McBride is one of the strongest fighters in the division and one of the toughest. Why, then, fights so few and far between?

"I'm looking to the future," said the soft-spoken, mustachioed McBride. "I have a wife and four children. I've got a good, steady job.

"If I devoted all my time to boxing I could perhaps pick up three or four more fights a year. But what would they pay? Possibly two or three hundred dollars a bout.

"No, there are very few big touches in boxing today. When I fight I've usually got a pretty good match and a television shot, which makes for a good purse."

A machine operator for a manufacturer of refrigeration equipment, Archie works diligently at his job while not neglecting his training.

Putting in a full day at the plant, he also makes certain that he is in the gym three or four nights a week and is never out of condition. That the bull-shouldered athlete neither smokes nor drinks is much in his favor.

Could he do better as a fighter if he worked at it full time and had more fights?

"Yes," he says. "I believe I could. Certainly the long layoffs have to effect me somewhat and if I had some tuneup bouts I might do better. But I've weighed this both ways and what I am doing I feel is best for my family and myself."

McBride finished strong in the Anthony fight and with the return set for October, at Baltimore, he might even be able to give a better account of himself.

But a perusal of the facts shows that Archie usually tires in the late rounds, after being ahead early in the fight.

This, no doubt, can be traced to the long periods of inactivity.

He is well equipped and regarded as dangerous at all times.

PROTEGE OF SCHULBERG

Born at Bruton, Ala., February 1, 1929, he made his home in Trenton, N. J. for many years (in fact, he is still billed out of that town) but now lives across the line in Bristol, Pa.

McBride showed great promise from the start. In his preliminary days, going back a decade, he was known as a powerful puncher. Somewhere along the line that punch eluded him. He now employs a nice bob and weave for defense and shines at infighting, a combination which most fighters today find they are unable to cope with.

He is a protege of Budd Schulberg, the novelist and screen writer who allowed the young fighter who lived nearby to train in a barn at his farm at New Hope, Pa. Schulberg who has had many successes in the theater, his latest is a film he produced, "Winds Across The Everglades," had high hopes for McBride and while Archie has never made the top ten in his division he has never disgraced himself as a fighter. Sammy Richman has been managing him for the past half dozen years.

Back in 1951 he won the vacant New Jersey heavyweight title, a twelve round bout with Willis (Red) Applegate. It was the first time since 1931, when Paul Cavalier defeated Tony Galento, that state titular recognition had been given the heavyweight division.

Defending the title against Jimmy Walker later that year, he was caught cold in the first round, dropped three times and the bout was over almost before it had started. In a return a month later, the tall Walker staged a late right hand punching rally to retain the State title in a twelve round bout.

They met for a third time on September 18, 1952 and McBride regained the State title by winning a ten round decision handily.

McBride remained inactive for a year and then decisioned Ernie Sheppard. A week later he lost a six round decision to Tommy Jackson, who, at the time, was just coming into his own.

Several years earlier he had won an eight round decision from Nino Valdes and in 1954, with McBride not having fought in six months, they met in a return at Havana, Cuba. Valdes, then a leading contender, won the ten round decision by the small margin of two points in his hometown. Richman requested a rubber match with Valdes in Madison Square Garden, but never got it.

It was nine months before McBride fought again. He was scheduled to meet light heavyweight champion Archie Moore in a ten rounder at St. Nicholas Arena, New York. When Moore turned up sick, McBride got an easier replacement. Just the No. 1 light heavyweight contender, Broadwalk Billy Smith!

The underdog McBride bobbed and weaved his way to winning five of the first six rounds. With Smith well behind on points, he suddenly showed why he held his high ranking. Pile-driving punches felled Archie twice in the seventh and once in the ninth before the referee stopped the bout with two seconds to go in the ninth round.

He met perpetual motion Tommy Jackson in a return bout at St. Nicholas Arena five months later. Hurricane put up his usual performance, wading in throwing punches incessantly, but the blows proved to be more annoying than powerful.

To the crowd of 1,500 in the arena the verdict, a unanimous one for Jackson, came as a shock. McBride, though outscored, landed the harder and cleaner punches throughout the fight. McBride appeared to have Jackson in trouble several times. Archie, on the other hand, was never hurt. Nevertheless, Judge Arthur Susskind voted for Jackson, 8-2; Judge Bill Recht gave it as 5-3 and two even and Referee Al Berl scored it 6-4. The Associated Press had McBride winning easily, 5-3-2.

McBride, usually a quiet, mild-tempered fellow, was astonished by the decision. "They didn't count punches," he said. "They counted slaps. He didn't hurt me at all and I thought I won it." Most of the working press were in agreement with him.

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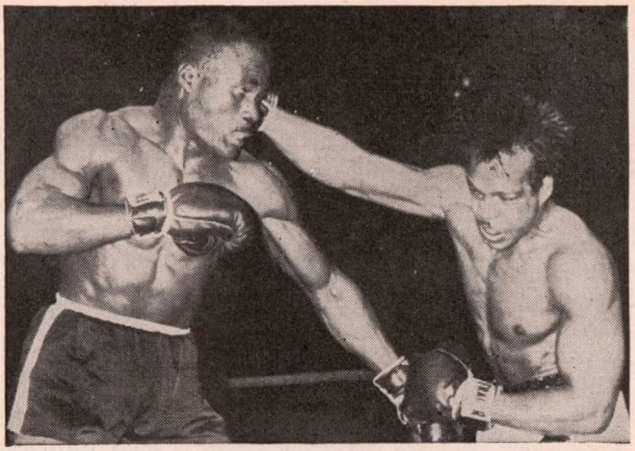
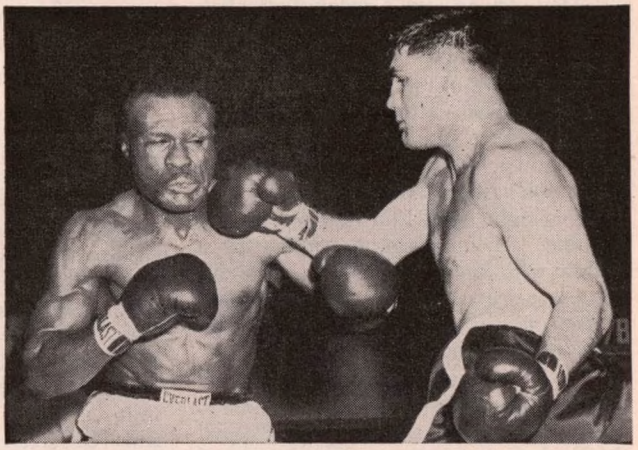
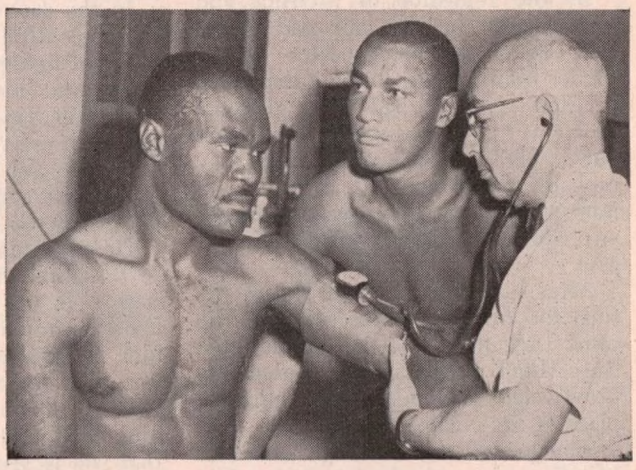


Archie McBride (left) takes a vicious right to head thrown by Bob Satterfield in Chicago bout in 1955. McBride, who forced the fight most of the way, won an upset split decision over the dangerous puncher.



McBride (left) scored another upset in 1957 when he defeated Germany's Willi Besmanoff in New York. Besmanoff had won thirteen straight bouts, McBride had not won a fight in two years.



Despite the fact that McBride has long periods of inactivity from the ring, he is always in tip-top condition. Here he is being examined by Dr. Alexander Schiff, New York State Boxing Commission physician, while Tony Anthony looks on. He lost split decision to Anthony and they are inked in for a return bout.

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PATTERSON'S FIRST TEST

Five weeks later he was in action again, scheduled to fight the rising Young Floyd Patterson in Chicago. Patterson came up with ptomaine poisoning and dangerout-puncher Bob Satterfield was substituted. This resulted in one of the few victories in recent years recorded for McBride. He shook off Satterfield's most potent punches. His advantage was in his ability to score with jabbing leads and then smother Satterfield's counter punches. McBride would step inside, duck under or shrug away from Satterfield's sharp punches. When Bob tried to move inside, Archie tied him up constantly.

Two months later he was in the ring at Madison Square Garden with Patterson, Floyd's first test against a legitimate heavyweight. McBride tried to make a fight on it, and in the third round buckled Patterson's knees with a left hook to the head. Floyd almost went down but hung in there. It was Patterson's flashy trick of throwing a leaping right hand lead that got him in trouble. A solid counter-punch by a fellow who knew what it was all about almost spelled disaster for Patterson. Patterson was also sliced around both eyes early in the fight.

But the man who was to become the world heavyweight champion came fighting back. In the sixth he dropped McBride for an eight count and dumped him twice in the seventh, the referee waving the full count over McBride, who was on his knees.

By the admission of McBride and his manager, he did look bad in his next fight, ten weeks later against spoiler Jimmy Slade, losing a ten round decision. Archie had some personal problems that he was attempting to iron out. Had his manager known, he probably would not have fought, or at least would have been given some advice which would have put his mind at ease.

After that McBride was out of the ring for fifteen months. When he came back it was to fight undefeated Alex Miteff who was being touted as a heavyweight contender. The bout took place at St. Nicholas Arena.

This proved to be a tough battle for Miteff, a give-and-take brawl that had the crowd roaring with approval. Considering that McBride had been inactive for well over a year, it was a tremendous performance on his part.

This also was the night that the commission's new master score card plan, which was supposed to speed up verdicts, almost broke down under the strain of deciding a winner. After a lengthy wait, it was announced as a split decision victory for Miteff. The referee and one judge voted for Miteff 5-4-1, while the other judge had it for McBride 6-4. The system was discarded after the fight.

A half a year went by before McBride fought again. This time against Willi Besmanoff, the German light heavyweight champ who turned out to be a heavyweight and who at that time had a string of thirteen straight wins, the last over Bob Baker.

McBride, a decided underdog, used a pressing, close-quarter attack to defeat Besmanoff, handing him a terrific body beating and shaking him up with left hooks to the head in several sessions, particularly the sixth. The referee had McBride the winner, 8-1-1, while the judges had it for McBride 8-2 and 5-4-1.

It goes without saying that McBride had a long stretch before his next bout, over a half a year, next fighting Ingemar Johansson, the Swede who was knocking every one out, in Gothenburg.

Archie's style was useless in this bout for every time they got in close the referee broke them. Infighting, at which McBride was best, was not allowed. Johansson was awarded the decision in a close bout.

And so it was nine months later that McBride lost another fight, against Tony Anthony, a bout that could have gone either way and one that proved, once again, that despite inactivity, despite a record that shows only four wins in sixteen bouts over the last seven years, McBride is one of the most dangerous heavyweights in the business today. It was Anthony's first test among the heavyweights.

In the days when fights and fighters were plentiful, there was a special breed of fighter, very important to the game, who was called a trial horse.

His job was unique. He was a good fighter in every respect and yet was not headed in any definite direction in the game. Not a spoiler, not a club fighter, not a stifferoo to be bowled over.

He separated the men from the boys, so to speak, the haves from the have-nots. It was his job to test those fighters ready for the big-time. Get over him impressively and the way usually was clear for top-contendership and a possible shot at the title. Fail against him, or fail to impress and it showed that you lacked the extra something.

It was not an easy job. Invariably the trial horse was thrown in with the best, or those who would prove to be the best. Make it or not against him, a fighter gave it an all-out try. This was one he had to get over or else fistic oblivion or the long-plod-back was in store.

Archie McBride is just such a fighter, the counterpart of yesteryear's trial-horse.

Had he devoted himself full-time to boxing he might have gone all the way. But his thoughts were on the future and security for his family and himself. And none can blame him.

How far can he go at this late stage is difficult to say. But the boxing game, especially in these times, is a strange business and one or two impressive wins can move a fighter into a commanding position.

Fans looking at the record book twenty years from now might think that Archie McBride was a less than ordinary fighter, never good enough to make the top ten in his division. Provided he doesn't spring a couple of surprises and make it soon.

But those of us who have seen him in action in the past decade, in the infrequent appearances he had made, will know better.

Maybe his place in boxing is not secure. Wisely, Archie is making certain it is secure in his home life.

WRESTLING

PETE MANAGOFF
BY GENE GORDON

A veteran wrestler who is still rated highly in the mat world, is Pete Managoff. Pete has been wrestling since the early 1930's.

A native of Chicago, Pete married a North Carolina girl and now lives near Linville, N. C., where he owns a farm and orchards. Linville is located in Western North Carolina in the heart of the Mountain resorts. Pete has wrestled in probably every major city where wrestling is held in the U. S. as well as Canada and several foreign countries.

Name any of the top noted wrestlers since 1935 including Jim Londos and Pete has met them all.

A very colorful wrestler in the ring who has grown a beard recently. He stands over 6 ft. tall and weighs around 240. He is one of the strongest and most rugged wrestlers ever to appear in the Carolinas where he has been a popular favorite for many years now.

He has a powerful pair of legs that have won him many victories with dropkicks and his scissors hold has sent many foes to the hospital.

He can lock his legs around a sack of grain and burst it easily, as he has often demonstrated.

I recently talked to him in Hickory, N. C. Met him in the dressing room after he had defeated Jim Austeri in a terrific match.

He told me he had just returned from the East where he had spent four months around Philadelphia, New Jersey, Baltimore, New York, and other places. Pete is running for sheriff of Avery County in Western North Carolina. I asked him if he planned to retire if elected sheriff and he said he would.

RATINGS

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Italian Champion Bruno Visintin stopped Gerd Muller, 6. Franco Pinto decisioned Ferruccio Consorti, 8. Rafiu King kayoed Enrico Macale, 6. Sandy Manuel drew with Simon Tiger, 5.

Emilio Marconi halted Helmut Hohmann, 7. Luis Rodriguez won from Nardo Parets, 10. Jerry Jordan stopped Cecil Courtney, 2. Bob Cofer kayoed Bobby Shell, 4.

Sal Hernandez stopped Antonio Ballagas, 5. Carl Hubbard kayoed Paul Lee, 1. Johnny Van Rensburg whipped Maxie Carlos, 12. Javallana Kid stopped Morris Leviege, 8.

Frederick Thompson won over Alberto Billaflor, 10. Willie Morton outpointed Franco Rossini, 12, but lost to Billy Todd, 12. Arnoldo Gil kayoed Enrique Esqueda, 9.

Bill Flamio stopped Frankie Ippolito, 6. Mike Coronado defeated Joe Hargrave, 10, but lost to Lloyd Nelson, 10. Alvaro Gutierrez stopped Pat Manzi, 7. David Perez stopped Eduardo Lozano, 3.

Danny Russo whipped Eddie Lynch, 10. Miguel Angel Aguero kayoed Pedro Alamgro, 6.

Manuel Gonzales won from Alvin Boudreaux, 10, and Gil Holguin, 10; Gil stopped Manuel Rocha, 7.

Henry (Rocky) Ferguson decisioned Amen Peck, 10. Kid Rayo drew with middle Anacleto Battad and kayoed Lem Miller, 4.

Denny Moyer halted Chico Cerino, 4. Camilo Flores stopped Ray Contreras, 8, and Eddie Rivera, 5. Manny Yamaciro kayoed Carmona Luna, 5. Roy Steele and Norm Gautreau drew, 6, Steele then lost to middleweight Gaston Roy, 10, while Gautreau defeated Killer Poirier, 8.

George Monroe defeated Al King, 8. Rudy Gonzalez kayoed Zurdo Constantine, 5. Cecil Courtney bested Bobby Bickle, 6.

Al Milone beat Young Joe Walcott, 6. Henry Gutierrez stopped Raul Anchonda, 2. Yvon Cote beat Scotty McMemory, 6.

Baby Galindo kayoed Cowboy Aguilar, 6. Johnny Bradley stopped Joe DiPierro, 4. Pancho Iglesias beat Luis Zuniga, 8. Bobby Sanders whipped Frankie Ray, 6.

Johnny Powell stopped Eddie Troy, 3. Pichon Reyes drew with Tiger de Tenecharo, 10, and stopped Jesus Moreno, 3. Memo Ayon beat Rielero Arriola, 10. Arturo Gonzalez won from Alfonso Moreno, 10, Moreno also lost to Ambrosio Gomez, 10. Carlo Sarlo whipped King Farouk, 6. Regalo Landes beat Hilario Molina, 8. Carleton Wilson kayoed Don Jones, 2.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

Mexican champion Baby Vasquez retained his title beating Ezequiel Uribe, 12. Al Nevarez defeated Jimmy Carter, 10. Cuban champion Armando Baragano defeated Wayman Dawson, 10. Australian champion Max Carlos held to draw by Russell Sands, 12 (nontitle). Bobby Hyland outpointed Ron Clapstone, 10.

Billy Leckie decisioned Harold Piper, 12. Charley Douglas lost to Bruno Burlovich, 8. Johnny Wills defeated Teddy Davis, 10. Arthur Persley defeated Dave Dupas, 10.

Rocky Randell defeated Johnny (Ace) Hand, 8. Baby LeRoy stopped Jean Dulhoste, 7. J. D. Ellis halted Jerry Leroux, 3.

Chico Morales decisioned Fernando Silva, 10. Chisco Andrade stopped Lauro Salas, 8. Schoolboy Leyva whipped Julian Perez, 8. Alex Garcia defeated Baby Cochet, 10. Jethro Cason beat Santiago Ramirez, 6.

European champion Dulio Loi retained title by drawing with Mario Vecchiato, 15. Vecchiatto had previously won Italian title by outpointing Annibale Omodei, 12.

Kenny Lane outpointed Orlando Zalueta, 10.

Al Nevarez decisioned George Berry, 10.

Bobby Scanlon outpointed Joey Lopes, 10.

Jamie Gine stopped Trameito Villagra, 6.

Flash Elorde retained Orient title outpointing Hisao Kobayashi, 12. L. C. Morgan kayoed Armando Muniz, 2. Bonnie Espinosa defeated Leo Alonzo, 10.

Baby Vasquez defeated Joe Shaw, 10. Richi (Kid) Howard defeated Keith Paris, 10. Pedro Galasso won South American title by outpointing Sergio Salvia, 15. Lahouari Godih outpointed by Don Jordan, 10.

Zorrito Ramirez beat Raul Anchondo, 10, and Chucho Mejia, 10. Fred Galiana won disputed verdict over Nestor Savino, 10.

Martin Perez upset Americo Bonetti, 10. Carlos Arregui kayoed Reyes Lopez, 6, and defeated Beto Gonzalez, 10. Joas Maoto decisioned Johnny Linda, 12. Oscar Ortegon defeated Eduardo Zamora, 10. Juanito Martinez kayoed Adrian Kiriz, 10.

Clarence Jackson defeated Aime Morin, 8. Tony Lopez Smith beat Negro Cardenas, 8, and stopped Manuel Luna, 2. Larry Armstead edged out Al Malone, 6. Rafael Camacho beat David Camacho, 10, David also lost to Larry Wright, 6.

Cosme Maldonado stopped Eduardo Almazan, 7. Joey Reynolds defeated Leon Rosano, 8. Juan Leyva defeated Ruben Cadena, 8. Ubaldo Ramirez bested Fidel Hernandez, 10. Beto Carbajal kayoed Benny Rodriguez, 7. Joey Limas defeated Ruben Munoz, 6, while Ruben bested Bobby Garza, 6.

Characol Herandez kayoed Chato Encinas, 3, but was kayoed by Sergio Gomez, 7. Tony Estrada beat Ernie Lopez, 5. Al Madrano kayoed Jimmy Mackey, 4.

Argentinito Lopez kayoed Adolfo Olguin, 7, Muralla Harrera, 6. Bob Spring kayoed Frankie Turner, 5. Al Melendez beat Marcelino Vargas, 6, and kayoed Francisco Santillan, 2.

Billy Nickerson kayoed Carol Fraser, 1. Timmie Jefferson beat Norman Johnson, 6.

Vernon Lynch defeated Jerry Leroux, 6. Silvestre Villarreal kayoed Vicente Ramirez, 2. Yutaka Saikawa won from Mel Freitas, 5. Assesino Allen stopped Fenley Hooker, 4. Cecil Mott kayoed Buddy Anderson, 3.

FEATHERWEIGHTS

Flash Elorde fighting as a lightweight retained Orient title beating Hisao Kobayashi, 12.

Ricardo Gonzalez and Manold Garcia struggled to a draw, 10.

Miguel Berrios returned to action and kayoed Grillo Aguilar, 4, stopped Jorge Herrera, 5, and Hector Ceballos, 1.

Ricardo Moreno kayoed Rocky Fontanette, 1.

Returning to ring after five-years' retirement, Johnny Miller outpointed Eric Brett, 8. Jolly Jackson whipped Andrew Mortey, 8. Miguel Berrios kayoed Gallito Rodriguez, 3, and Genaro Serafin, 2.

Jimmy Moser stopped Tommy Bain, 5. Somkiat Loogmatulee stopped Rufino Ridella, 3.

Doug Vaillant kayoed Jose Blanco, 2. Jackie Lennon defeated Glen Ivey, 6. Pastor Marrero stopped Inocencio Cartas, 2.

Mauro Vazquez outscored Billy Walker, 10.

Willie Pep outpointed lightweight Al Duarte, 10. Angel Garcia decisioned Pete Kawala, 10.

Battling Torres kayoed Cesar Saavedra, 4. Jesus Santamaria stopped Roberto Murillo, 8. Alfredo Bunetta defeated Juan Ramallo, 10. Ernesto Figueroa outscored Victor Manuel Quijano, 10. Aldo Pravisani decisioned Tanny Campo, 10.

Dwight Hawkins scored over Danny Valdez, 8. Claudio Adame defeated Fidel Lucero, 12. Rodolfo Francis won over Enrique Perea, 10.

Hilario Morales kayoed David Camacho, 3. Gabriel Navarro scored over Roy Hernandez, 10.

Alberto Soto beat Ricardo Manzanillo, 10. Lucio Gonzalez kayoed Jorge Chavez, 2, Joel Marquez, 6, but lost to Genaro Serafin, 10, Genaro then beat Tony Corrales, 10. Ray Martinez kayoed Cain Rogero, 4, and beat Jose Galvan, 10.

Pedro Rocha beat Memo Diez, 10. Luis Trejo bested Bobby Gray, 10, Bobby also lost on a disqualification in 10 to Bobby Cervantes. Gill Flores bested Jackie Trillana, 10. Enrique Castillo halted Manuel Jimenez, 9.

Americo Rivera kayoed Joe Galindo, 3. Army Wonder Boy drew with Oscar Reyes, 10. Kid Terranova stopped Cain Rogero, 6, but lost to Roberto Uriarte, 10. Felipe Payan won over Al Flores, 10. Chilo Barranco defeated Nacho Dominguez, 8.

Arnulfo Palomares beat Chicho Alvarez, 10, and stopped Marcelino Gomez, 6, while Alvarez drew with Kid Aztequita, 10. Chucho Picazo beat Tony Arizmendi, 10.

Gil Nolasco stopped Agustin Ordorica, 5. Juan Ramirez beat Marcelino Gomez, 10. Chebo Vazquez won from Fernando Gomez, 8.

Juan Ramirez beat Luis Estrada, 10. Babe Zarate beat Guero DeLeon, 10. Tony Meza whipped Luis Garcia, 10.

Baby Martinez kayoed Trucutu Velazquez, 7. Cesar Sanchez won from Chucho Uribe, 6. Jorge Quintero defeated Tito Marshall, 8. Roberto Cruz halted Dio Cagulada, 3. Jorge Gonzalez kayoed Pedro Rodriguez, 4, and beat Sammy Andrade, 8.

Willie Black defeated Brave Rosas, 10. Pluit Randolph stopped Ozzie Moore, 3. Flash Menny won from Rocky Moises, 6.

Tony Corrales kayoed Relampago, Rosas, 3. Juan Sanchez beat Jesus Waldo, 10.

Eduardo Larranaga beat Roberto Ortiz, 6, Ortiz was kayoed in 3 by Manny Linson, who also kayoed Juancito Lopez, 7, and beat Baby Saroni, 8. Baby beat Dandy Esquer, 6. Spider Walker stopped Al Tovar, 2. Tony Sanchez whipped Roberto Wong, 6.

Freddie Guzman kayoed Rigoberto Puebla, 10. Joe Vargas kayoed Fernando Aguilar, 3. Victor Garcia stopped Luis Garcia, 3. Francis Militante beat Al Carroll, 5. Sammy Bombiano defeated Frankie Speed, 10. Antonio Gutierrez whipped Chacara Kid, 6.

BANTAMWEIGHTS

Joe Becerza stopped Little Cezar, 4.

Al Asuncion won from Dommy Ursua, 7.

Oscar Suarez decisioned Jose Luis Mora, 10.

Italian Champion Pierro Rollo outpointed Kimpo Amarfio, 10. British and Empire Champion Peter Keenan lost to Derry Treanor when bout was stopped because of severe eye laceration, 6 (non-title).

Boots Monroe stopped Nacho Escalante, 3, Nacho had stopped Johnny Ortega, 5. Carlos Cardoso defeated Joe Medel, 10. Rudy Corona defeated Pimi Barajas, 10, and kayoed Danny Medrano, 7.

Olympic Champion Terry Spinks suffered first defeat in 20 professional bouts when Billy Rafferty stopped him, 5. Floyd Gatiuan defeated Mutuso Iida, 10. Roque Fernandez kayoed Tony Martinez, 9.

Eduardo Guerrero stopped Huesito Gonzalez, 7. Jose Galvan defeated flyweight Goyo Flores, 10, but lost to Ray Martinez, 10. Raul Leanos won over Chiquis Rosales, 10. Rosales bested Guillermo Gonzalez, 10.

Edwin Sykes outclassed Charlie DeBow, 10. Ross Padilla defeated Frankie Duarti, 10.

Joe Gomez kayoed Gus Carrera, 5, and Esteban Vegas, 2. Cubanito Torres halted Sergio Becerril, 7. Gianni Zuddas outpointed Antonio Diaz II, 10. Arab Jr. won over Angel Boy, 10.

Rudy Valdez whipped Kid Del Polo, 8. Jorge Herrea and Joe Arias drew, 10, Joe had kayoed Juancito Lopez, 5, and beat Tony Meza, 10, and kayoed Danny Medrano, 8. Marcing David defeated Bert Gonzalez, 8.

Jose Lomeli won from Marcelo Gonzales, 10. Raton Vargas whipped Emilio Olivares, 10. Max Huerta halted Memo Balderas, 6. Gustavo Sosa whipped Enrique Moreno, 8, and Gallito Segundo, 10.

Chato Sosa won from Chiquilin Torres, 10, Baby Carlos and Johnny Jamito drew, 6. Adrain Rojas and Tibico Torres drew, 10. Abe Villa defeated Benny Coca, 6.

Sardito Guerra and Angel Coronado drew, 8. Pollero Garcia beat Pascual Perez, 10. Fidel Banuelos won from Nacho Paredes, 6. Hector Hicks kayoed Ernesto Campbell, 5, and Jose Felix, 2. Lucio Flores kayoed Pimpollo Morales, 3.

Martin Ortiz kayoed Manual Rivas, 3. Roy Thoikey beat Serafin Garcia, 6. Mario Aguilar won over Juan Sanchez, 6. Pollo Vargas beat Guillermo Santillan, 6. Leonard Madela outpointed Louis Joshua, 10.

Piero Rollo outpointed Willie Parker, 10. Spider Okine retained Ghanian title by stopping Osei Renner, 14. Mario D'Agata defeated Ben Ali, 10.

Felix Gutierrez kayoed Orlando Rodriguez, 4. Augusto Naravalle beat Julio Junco, 6. Jorge Nunez kayoed Jose de los Santos, 4. Benny Casing kayoed Ruben Cardenas, 1.

FLYWEIGHTS

Dommy Ursea lost to bantamweight Al Asuncion, 7.

Mario DeLeon outscored Carlos Miranda, 10.

Saul Becerril and Ray Ruiz drew, 10.

Joe Medel lost to bantam Carlos Cardoza, 10. Fidel Alfaro stopped Roman Rodriguez, 4, and Mosco Vargas, 2. Goyo Flores lost to bantam Jose Galvan, 10.

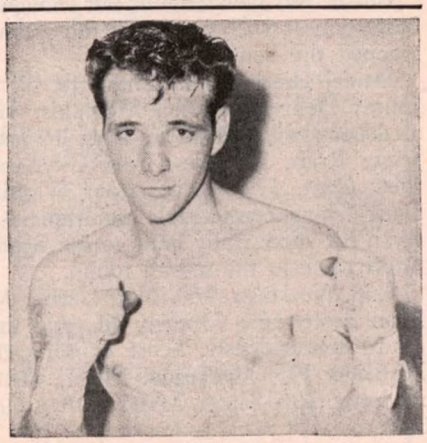
Luis Gonzalez defeated Pablo Barrios, 10. Zurdo Pina stopped Joey Agustine, 6.

Ray Perez kayoed Eijiro Horikoshi, 2. Horacio Accavallo stopped Ricardo Valdez, 9.

Cuervo Salinas won from Aztequita Morelense, 8. Chango Ceballos stopped Tony Portilla, 5. Hilario Correa beat Ramon Sosa, 6.

Japanese champion Sadao Yaoita defeated Leo Zulueta, 12. Ramon Arias stopped Masaji (Lefty) Iwamoto, 9.

Frankie Jimenez kayoed Santos Gutierrez, 4. Carlos Rodriguez stopped Julio Buggioni, 7. Ron Davis stopped Len Reese, 7.



Dale Manz, Idaho middleweight champion, who was killed in an airplane crash in Boise on August 22 along with trainer Ken Nochols and another boxer John Maravilla. They were on their way to a fight when the accident took place. Dale was one of brightest fighters to come out of the Rockies in a long while.

WITH OUR SERVICEMEN

by JOE SMITH

VINCENT FERGUSON recently spent two weeks training with the 42nd (Rainbow) Div., N.Y.N.G., at Camp Drum, New York, as a Sp3 with the 165th Infantry (the Old Fighting 69th).

Ferguson, as you know, was a great amateur fighter before he turned pro this last year. He held the N.C.A.A. 156-pound title while a freshman at the University of Wisconsin. Vinnie also won the Metropolitan A.A.U. 147-pound titles in 1954 and 1955. In 1952 he was chosen as the P.A.L. outstanding boxer.

In his professional career so far, Vinnie is still keeping up his winning ways, with three by knockouts and two decisions. He hopes to make the top ten in another year and then number one, which he is with his friends and his buddies in his National Guard Outfit. His father, Ed Ferguson, is his manager. Ed also handles another top fighter, Carlos Ortiz.

THE LONE RANGER

USS RANGER. . . . A gala fistic card was held aboard the Ranger recently which brought out some likely looking prospects as this great vessel steamed through fog-bound waters en route from Rio de Janeiro, Federal District, United States of Brazil, to Valparaiso, Chile.

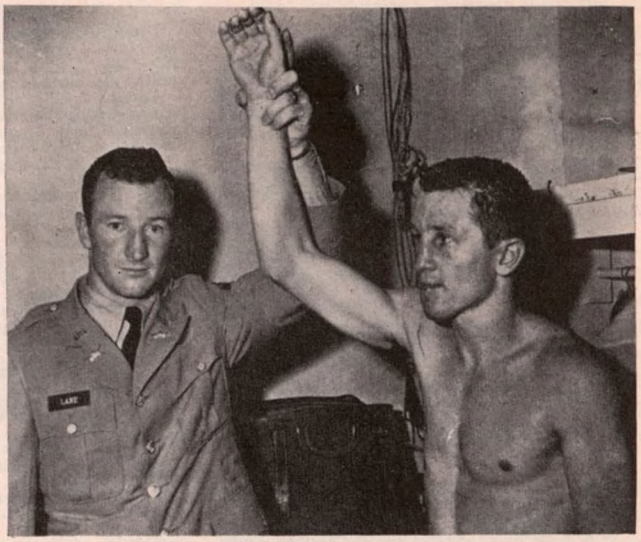
The opening bout on the card matched Jack McCarthy, 160, East Liverpool, Ohio, with Leo (See Here) Hargrove, 155, Trenton, N. J. Hargrove had a fine first round and the referee for the entire card, Al Eddy, 190, North Wilmington, Mass., awarded Leo the round.

But he was the victim of not enough condition and upon indication at 1:25 seconds of the second round, the referee stopped the bout.

Daniel Hicklin, 140, Charlotte, N. C., hooked up with Jimmy Henry, also 140, Memphis, Tenn., in an abbreviated bout, with Henry stopping his man in the first canto. James Ryan, 155, New York City, was paired with Matthew Gant, 159, hailing from Washington, D. C., with Gant taking considerable punishment in the first round. Ryan hit successfully both to the head and body. Gant's finish came in the second round.

Skip Workman, 160, New Harbor Maine, went in with Leon Scott, 165, Chicago, Ill., and this bout pleased the crowd tremendously, Scott winning the decision. Eddie McBride, 195, Muskegon, Mich., went up against Danny Andrews, 200, Salem, Mass., with Andrews winning a split nod.

Without doubt the closest bout of the night paired Oscar Exum, 180, Memphis, Tenn., with J. T. Strickland, 200, Grand Rapids, Mich., but Strickland held out better in the end to win the bout. Exum put up a good scrap considering that it was his first fight.



Lt. Pearce Lane raises the hand of his brother, Kenny, in his dressing room after the young fighter from Muskegon, Mich., lost the 15-round title match by a decision to lightweight champion Joe Brown. Lt. Lane flew from Germany to see his brother box the champion and said that Kenny still was his champion.

Another very close fight was uncovered in the bout between Russ Muschlit, 170, of Philadelphia, Pa., and a neighbor from Philadelphia, Bill Green. Green means go and that is what he did—go on to win this one.

The best prospect of the evening was George Galey, 140, stiff-punching socker from Scarborough, Maine, who was in there with Dale Kelsey, 140, Chicago, Ill. After scoring two knockdowns in the first round, Galey went on to finish the job in the second round with a clean knockout.

The card was arranged by Lt. Comm. Adams, Assistant Medical Officer of the ship. The ship's paper was sent in by our old friend Al Eddy, whose name has appeared in this column many times. The U. S. S. Ranger NEWS is the finest ship's paper we received in a long time. Hope to see more.

CHILEAN ARMY VS. USS RANGER IN SANTIAGO

A picked and highly trained Chilean team scored six kayoes in seven bouts to win overwhelmingly before a near-capacity house in this inland capital city of Chile. An interested spectator was Arturo Godoy, twice an opponent for Joe Louis's heavyweight title.

The Ranger team was impressed with the fine treatment they received from the Chileans and left with fond memories. The Chilean team, comprised of Chilean soldiers and known as "Bombers of Punete", were kayo winners of six of the seven bouts fought. They were a more experienced combination. The Chileans were trained to the minute and the Rangers were up against real talent. The final bout, ending in a draw between Manuel Alvarez and Bob Davies, was well-received by the crowd. The results were as follows:

Carlos Albarracin won by a kayo over George Galey in the first. Galey was doing fine until he ran afoul of one of the Chilean's straight rights and never recovered. Guillermo Salinas won when Jim Ryan retired after the second round. Incidentally these bouts were three minute rounds each, as the Chileans said their rules did not allow them to fight two-minute rounds. Ramiro Garcia knocked out Edward Hicks in the first. This was a mismatch as Hicks is a novice compared to Garcia who is a ring veteran.

THE SAME PAGE

Bob Page, ex-Harlem Globetrotter hardcourt ace, now is the boxing coach for the 16th Inf. Rangers at Ft. Riley, Kans.

SERVICE FIGHTER POLL

The following is a report on outstanding service fighters, some of the results of the poll started a couple of months ago.

1. Leonard (Hawk) Smith, Co. M, 3rd Bn. 4TRS, Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo. Smith hails from Indianapolis, Ind., where he fought out of the St. Rita Boxing Club. He had 50 fights and now has 41 for the Army. Before he went into the service he reached the semi-finals for the Olympic tryouts and was beaten by Willie Morgan. He has worked out with some top fighters, such as Bobby Boyd, Moses Ward, Holly Mims and Wallace (Bud) Smith. This middleweight will be out of the service at the end of the year. Smith's company buddies have been sending in votes to keep him in front.

2. Another middleweight up there is Pfc Robert F. Patterson, presently assigned to Co. D, 2nd B. G., 60th Inf. Pat, as he is known to his friends, is the recognized First Army middleweight champion.

His fistic career began back in Monroe, Mich., in 1956. Under the tutelage of Joey Giarmo, former middleweight boxer, he went undefeated in 15 fights, winning the first four by kayoes.

Left to Right . . . Brig. Gen. Charles Conde Nast, Ed Ferguson (manager), Vinnie Ferguson, Brig. Gen. Martin J. Foery of the 42nd (Rainbow) Div. N.Y.N.G.

In March of 1957 he volunteered for the draft. After processing at Ft. Leonard Wood, Missouri, he was shipped to Ft. Carson, Colorado for 16 weeks' basic training. Assigned to Ft. Devens, he kept in shape and joined the Devens boxing team. Last March, at Ft. Monmouth, he defeated all contenders for the middleweight crown.

Last winter Pat competed in the Golden Gloves tournament in Lowell, Mass. After winning three fights by kayoes, he was defeated for the crown by Ted Williams (not with a bat). This was his first and only loss on his record, which now stands at 21 wins (with 15 kayoes) and one loss. Hometown is Monroe, Mich. and he is only 20 years old.

3. Another Flat Top lad comes to the Ring's top service fighters. His name is Ted "Pepsi" Kakuk, one of the most progressive and most promising of young fighters of today in the service. He has a snappy left jab which is out-done only by his surprising right hook and shifty footwork. The Ring Magazine has been a major part of his inspiration for years since he first fought at the age of twelve around New York City clubs.

Persisting to develop his pugilistic interests, the P. A. L., Knights of Columbus, and a few other clubs were frequented most by him, until his entry in the U. S. Navy. Winning the Boston and New York State amateur championships in 1954 and fighting for the Golden Gloves in the same year he continued doing a good job for Uncle Sam. Being an advocate of clean sport and rendering potential skill of a champion, he exhibited great promise in his matches against rival ships, English Navy and the Italian Olympics, while training aboard such mighty ships as the USS Ticonderoga CVA-14 and USS Forrestal CVA-59. Before entering the service he was kayoed once out of 40 fights, with 35 wins, 2 draws and 3 losses. He scored three knockouts. His service record stands up to 11 wins (three by kayos) and 4 losses.

Born in East Harlem, New York City, he is one of seven children of Mr. & Mrs. Ted Kakuk, Sr., presently residing in the Fort Greene section of Brooklyn, New York. Upon completion of duty in service he intends to enter the pro boxing ranks under the name of Teddy Dean. Another of his ambitions is to attend the Delahanty School where he will study to be a policeman. His dad, a Special Officer for Brooklyn College, encourages and gives full blessing to his son's choice of careers. First and foremost of Ted's plans are his nuptial intentions to the lovely Miss Roseann Chouinard, which are to take place in the very near future.

Interviewed by Jon Fortgang, a journalist for the Forrestal's newspaper, the Fifty-Niner, and Lou Greco, one of his many voters, Ted impressed them as a likeable lad and we are sure many more votes will come in for him.

Leo Hargrove, 155, Trenton, N. J. (right), shown landing a right to the head of Jack McCarthy. Referee in the background is Al Eddy, bouts took place aboard the U.S.S. Ranger (CVA 61).

We have received a letter from the Forrestal thanking this column and The Ring Magazine for encouraging and inspiring the youth of today and for doing a swell job through the years.

Thank you for the kind words. This column belongs to you, the men of all the services. Keep fighting and keep writing. We welcome letters from all of you.

Lets hear from the rest of Navy, Marines, Army and Air Force. . .You, too, must have a fighter or two that you would like to see in The Ring Magazine's With Our Servicemen feature.

ATTENTION ALL SERVICE BOXING FANS
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IT'S UP TO CUS D'AMATO, SAYS NED IRISH. RENTAL OF GARDEN DEPENDS ON CHALLENGER OKLAHOMA BLUE LAW PUTS END TO BOXING

Nat FLEISCHER says:

WITH the summer season over, fight fans' attention is focused on the fall and winter programs. Naturally, the item that stands out most prominently is the next heavyweight championship defense.

The public is waiting the next move of Cus D'Amato, who guides the destinies of world heavyweight king, Floyd Patterson. Will Cus again ignore one of the outstanding heavies in favor of a lesser light as he did when he selected Peter Rademacher and Roy Harris?

When D'Amato selected Harris, who is managed by Lou Viscusi, a close follower of the International Boxing Club with which D'Amato has been feuding, the signs on the wall pointed to at least a semi-settlement of this feud. This was furthered when D'Amato, through one of his closest friends, promoter Emil Lence, announced that he is prepared to pit his champion against a suitable opponent in Madison Square Garden this month or in November, if arrangements for the rental of the Garden could be made by him.

Of course, no one who is fully acquainted with all the angles, will doubt that if such arrangement were made, D'Amato and Lence would be partners in the operation. But renting the House that Tex Built is not so easy a proposition without declaring the Garden, in which Jim Norris, former president of the International Boxing Club is the biggest stock holder and the Chairman of the Board of Directors in, as a co-promoter.

IRISH INSISTS ON MATCH WITH OUTSTANDING OPPONENT

"This," says D'Amato, "will never happen." But says Ned Irish, executive of the Garden in charge of bookings and rentals. "Before we permit Lence to come into the arena, he will have to show us a contract for a heavyweight title bout, and I can tell you that neither a Rademacher nor a Harris would be agreeable to us.

"If we rent the Garden to Lence, he will have to show us a contract for a fight in which an outstanding heavyweight contender, such as Zora Folley, The Ring's Number One challenger or the winner of the Eddie Machen-Igemar Johansson fight in Sweden, is Patterson's opponent. The match will have to be suitable to us and the public," Ned concluded.

All of which simmers down to the fact that though Lence would be official promoter, the Garden and D'Amato would be his co-promoters in the next world heavyweight championship if staged in the arena where such a fight at $40 tops would be a sell-out. The next move is up to D'Amato and Lence.

As I have so frequently said, the public is not interested in the long standing fued between D'Amato and the International Boxing Club, but it is in thechampion and what he intends to do to maintain interest in the heavyweight division. D'Amato and Patterson started the ball rolling when they arranged the recent Los Angeles fight and we hope for the sake of boxing's future, that it will keep rolling.

It would not be difficult to settle differences of opinion amicably. D'Amato holds the reins and he should place his personal feelings aside in planning the future of his champion. Boxing is sadly in need of help and D'Amato has it within his power to furnish the required stimulus.

50 YEARS OLD BLUE LAW PUTS END TO OKLAHOMA BOXING

Blue laws that in years gone by prohibited the public to enjoy entertainment of any kind on the Sabbath and outlawed boxing as a "vicious sport," have come to life in Oklahoma City after a lapse of half a century. In 1910 a law was passed which put an end to pugilism, both amateur and pro-

fessional in the city. Prior to that time, many of the world's greatest boxers in all divisions performed in Oklahoma.

City Manager Sheldon Stirling recently discovered that the Municipal Auditorium where more than a dozen profitable programmes had been promoted this year by William D. (Dick) Freeman, has been used illegally and issued an order that boxing in Oklahoma City is illegal under the 1910 law.

"We must observe the no-fight law" he said in issuing his order, "even though such a law may be antiquated. Until such time as our legislators in the State Capitol repeal that law, boxing is banned!"

And so Dick Freeman must give up his promotions, though the public has supported boxing as an entertainment.

Another strike against a sport that has been lashed at from all angles this year! Since Oklahoma furnished many excellent amateur boxers in past years and the sport is an accepted program in the state universities whose college boxers rate among the country's best, we hope that the antiquated law will be eliminated by state legislators when their next session gets under way.

What puzzles me is that the State law permits boxing and has a commission that is appointed by the Governor. That commission is a member of the National Boxing Association. On May 7, 1953, the Oklahoma House of Representatives unanimously passed a bill setting up a State Boxing Commission to regulate both pugilism and wrestling, yet, despite the fact that city options are not necessary under the state law, Oklahoma City has kept on its books the law of 1910. Since Oklahoma City is where almost all of the pro boxing has been staged in the past, the edict of City Manager Stirling virtually nullifies the State law pertaining to boxing. I predict his edict will be quickly overturned.

TWO BOXERS KILLED

Two promising Idaho boxers were added to the list of plane fatalities when Johnny Maravilla and Dale Manz were killed in a smash-up near Boise. Johnny, a welterweight from Nampa, Idaho, and Manz, a middleweight from New Plymouth, with their trainer-manager, Kenneth Nichols and the pilot, Paul Engle, were killed when their light plane caught fire and crashed on a mountain peak eighteen miles from Boise.

Maravilla this year engaged in six fights and won five by knockouts and drew in one. He was regarded as one of the leading young welters of the State. Recently he fought on the Pat McMurtry-Charley Norkus card in Tacoma's Cheney Field and knocked out Joe Pompey in the third round. He is a brother of Roque, a light heavy of promise who this year had five bouts in which he drew in one and won four. On March 11 Roque was billed to fight Bill Lanza in a twenty round bout but stopped his opponent in the sixth.

Manz on July 30, knocked out Dick Lane in the seventh round. On June 17 he faced tough Jimmy Martinez and lost a close ten round decision. Manz won the Idaho State middleweight crown when he stopped Lane in the tenth round on March 20. His career looked most promising.

Both Manz and Maravilla were on their way to Boise where they were booked to appear at the Anaconda Memorial Stadium. Manz was to meet Roger Rouse, in the main event. Rouse instead fought Joe Neil and knocked him out in the second round.

Sid Flaherty, who manages Rouse, turned over the purse to the benefit of the bereft families and the promoter did likewise.

CONNECTICUT OUT OF RED; POLITICAL PATRONAGE ELIMINATED

The depths to which professional boxing has fallen, is observed in the annual report of the Connecticut State Athletic Commission, submitted to Governor Abraham A. Ribicoff, by Dinny McMahon, Chairman, following his return from California where he assisted Bill Gore in training Roy Harris for the championship fight with Floyd Patterson. For the first time in a decade, the commission finds itself out of the red. Ten years ago, when Samuel H. Malkan was chairman, he reported receipts of $23,788 as compared to expenditures of $25,390. McMahon's report shows receipts of $12,093 and $11,810 in expenses, leaving a balance for the State Treasury of $283.

In the intervening years the Commission operated in the red, with some deficits being quite sizeable. McMahon's report lists only two paid employees, himself and a secretary. Political patronage of the past has been eliminated by order of the Governor and those who are listed as investigators and inspectors, are paid only when they work, unlike in New York where political appointees are well cared for financially.

Compared to New York, where there are only five clubs registered of which three stage fights only occasionally, political patronage calls for an expenditure by the State Athletic Commission of five times the amount collected for the year by Connecticut. Governor Harriman could well follow the example set by Governor Ribicoff, saving the State thousands of dollars now being paid out to persons who hold down jobs because of political influence.

FAMOUS BRISBANE STADIUM REPLACED BY NEW ARENA

With the demolition of the famous old Brisbane Stadium which after forty-seven years on "Cauliflower Row" is being replaced by a modern stadium and theatre, the names of some of the world's most renowned pugilists who performed in the historic arena, and in Australia and South Wales have been revived. The Brisbane ring was the scene of many thrilling battles in which the cream of America, England and Australia performed. The opening night, almost half a century ago, found Johnny Sommers pitted against Boer Rudy Unbolz in the feature attraction.

It was in that stadium that the Immortal Les Darcy, Australian favorite, beat Fred Dyer and Dave Smith in 1914 and 1916. Harry Stone of New York, who later became an Australian citizen; Lee Edwards, Jimmy Clabby and Eddie McGoorty were competitors in the arena. The 1910 edifice had no roof and staged both outdoor and indoor fights.

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around desperately for a possible avenue of escape. Suddenly he rushed along the ropes to his right, firing a wild left on the way.

Reaching the other end of the ring, Tiplitz paused for a moment, looked back and was dumfounded to see Chaney spread out on the canvas. The wild left, thrown in fright, had nailed George flush on the chin and dropped him for the full count.

Like Jackson after his sensational knockout of Dundee, Tiplitz transformed himself from a fast boxer into an aggressive "club fighter" after his stunning victory over Chaney. From a light hitter he became a lusty puncher, particularly with a left hook, and his record was well studded with knockouts. For six years he was a popular attraction around the nation, and tangled with most of the top 'uns in the lightweight division. Failing vision caused his retirement in 1925.

ADDED PUNCH TO SKILL.

Unlike Jackson and Tiplitz, Benny Leonard and Tom Gibbons were two outstanding boxers whose styles remained unchanged after they developed punching power. They merely added the punching power to their exceptional skill to become that much more formidable.

Leonard, out of New York's East Side. learned early in his career that he didn't have the strength or the ruggedness to slug recklessly with more durable opponents. Benny was a frail kid and by the time he was 17 he had been stopped by Frankie Fleming and Joe Shugrue.

Leonard decided to concentrate on speed and skill. A keen student, he learned and improved until, at 19, he was beginning to attract attention as a serious threat to the world lightweight title.

One thing bothered Leonard, however. He was outpointing his opponents but knockout victories were exceedingly few and decidedly far between. Benny punched fast and accurately but somehow his blows lacked authenticity. He explained his problem one day to the veteran Willie Lewis, an authority on hitting.

"I don't understand it, Willie," he said. "I think I'm punching right but something is missing."

Lewis volunteered to look Leonard over in the gymnasium and try to find the answer.

He found it. After watching Benny in a training session, Willie offered his advice.

"You're doing everything right," he said, "but you're not getting the proper leverage behind your punches. Try rolling on the ball of your right foot, like this," and Willie illustrated.

Leonard tried, and it was the answer. A short time later he created something of a sensation by knocking out top-rated Joe Mandot, but it was no surprise to Benny.

"SOLAR PLEXUS" PUNCH.

Just how and where Tom Gibbons "discovered" his knockout punch, we wouldn't know, but Tom, like Leonard, was a student of ring technique.

As younger brother of St. Paul's "Phantom Mike," Tom was well versed in pugilistic fundamentals when he began his career in 1911, but as a middleweight he was noted more for his smooth boxing than for any hefty punching power. In ten years of campaigning, Gibbons stopped only thirteen of sixty-three opponents.

It was as an aging veteran and a light-heavyweight early in 1921 that Tom, then 30, suddenly became a clouter. It's possible he had studied Bob Fitzsimmons' "solar plexus punch", for that became Tom's most effective weapon of offense. It was a short, paralyzing left hook to the body, just under the ribs. In two and a half years Gibbons accounted for twenty-seven knockouts in thirty-five starts. Fourteen of those knockouts were scored in one successive streak, and among his victims were the likes of Al Reich, Hugh Walker, Porky Flynn, Clay Turner and Willie Meehan.

It was on the strength of his combined boxing skill and hitting power that Gibbons earned a match with Jack Dempsey for the heavyweight title in Shelby, Mont., during the summer of 1923. Tom was then 34 and as it turned out Dempsey was too young, too strong and too durable for him. At that, the veteran gave an impressive account of himself. His punch made little impression on the champion, but his clever boxing carried him the full fifteen rounds.

NAT FLEISCHER SAYS:

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The National Boxing Association again proved itself a weak organization by turning down its president Gilbert Jackson for reelection and naming as his successor at the Las Vegas convention, Dr. Ward Wyhe of West Virginia, a state which had less than a handful of boxing programs during the year. It follows that when an organization comprising almost all states of our Union seeks to control boxing through executives who either have little knowledge of the sport or rule in a state where there is scarcely any boxing, that the public cannot have much faith in the organization.

The difference between the European Boxing Federation and the N.B.A. is like that of day and night because every member of the E.B.U. is thoroughly versed in the sport which he represents and because of the keen knowledge of boxing by its executives, the decisions rendered by that body are honored by every country in Europe unlike the lack of support the N.B.A. edicts receive from its fellow members.

The reason is readily found in the big play of politics and factional rivalry. They keep many of the best fitted members from carrying on after they have proved their worth as able executives.

The action of the NBA in insisting that a champion must face the Number One contender is well taken with the public but cannot be enforced since most states, if not all, would readily agree as in the past, to accept any rated pugilist as an opponent for the champion if such a bout could be staged within its domain. Though I would like to see that rule enforced throughout the world, I agree with the European Boxing Federation members that it is much easier to obtain action among the champions by granting permission to put the title on the line against any of the top four challengers, chosen by the World Championship Committee and the National Boxing Association.

CHAMPIONS CAN SUE FOR DAMAGES IF SHORN OF THEIR CROWN

Since both in our country and in Great Britain the courts have ruled that a champion cannot be shorn of his crown, and can recover damages, I cannot see wherein the latest ruling of the N.B.A. is going to do any good in forcing Ray Robinson and Archie Moore, against whom the edict points, to accept an opponent they don't want. Harold Johnson, top challenger for Moore's title for many months definitely is entitled to a shot at the crown before Yvon Durelle who is going to get it.

Boxing enthusiasts would be delighted to have the ruling of the N.B.A. carried out for Johnson's benefit if that were possible. But is it? I doubt it. Commission edict apparently mean little when a manager of prestige decides on an opponent for his champ. According to a statement appearing in a California paper, Moore is reported as stating that Charley Johnston no longer is his manager, and that Jack Kearns, manager of Kenny Lane, has taken over and is arranging the match with Durelle.

The N.B.A. had a rather stormy convention in Las Vegas where one faction, opposed to Abe Greene and Gilbert Jackson, fought the reelection of Jackson as president and did its utmost to abolish Greene's honorary job of National Commissioner of the N.B.A. Greene, after resigning, was urged to reconsider and received his reappoint-

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present is 14 straight wins, 10 by kayo. His chances of reaching the top of the heap as did DeMarco are excellent.

AL ROSE

Al Rose of Brookline, Mass., is a rough, tough customer inside the ring but a real gentleman outside. He was born in Boston, January 22nd, 1935. He attended St. Mary's School in Brookline before entering Brookline High School. While in high school he played football. Following high school Al went into the Navy where he engaged in a few fights. He was married in 1955 and now has two children. He started fighting in the amateurs in 1956 and had 11 bouts, winning all, 9 by kayoes.

In his first pro fight he was paired with Dick McCarthy, a more experienced battler and a deadly puncher. They started out with a full-fledged slugfest. In the first round Rose was knocked down. Referee Al "Red" Priest, officiating for the third time since his appointment, started the count over him. The crowd howled, "Look at the other guy!" Priest turned around to see McCarthy staggering rubber-legged, go down. Confusion reigned with separate counts over the warriors. They both arose on time and the fight went into the second round. Rose won by a knockout in that round.

Since then he has kayoed Bob Cefalo, Frankie Evans, Willie Mitchell, Steve Green, Pedro Castillo, and veteran Don Vincent. He also decisioned Johnny Bradley (twice), Vincent, and Johnny Torres. He has engaged in 11 pro fights, won them all and scored seven knockouts. Rose works for the Brookline Highway Department. He is capably handled by Billy Halpin, who works for the Boston Park Department.

GORDON PARKER

Gordon Parker of Athol, Mass., is another battler with a sock. He has engaged in thirteen bouts, won eleven of them, five by kayoes and fought one draw. Parker was born Sept. 14, 1934, in Orange, Mass. He attended Orange High School where he played football. He spends his spare time hunting and fishing. He currently coaches a Little League basball team that is more than a little successful.

Gordon was introduced to boxing by his father who put gloves on him when he was 10 years old. When Gordon was 14 his father got Joe Gelinas, a good welterweight of some 20 years ago, to teach him. Next came a stint in the Army as a paratrooper. He spent half a year in Japan where he engaged in some bouts. He was on the Southwest Command championship team. Home again, he proceeded to win the Lowell Golden Gloves in 1956 in the lightweight class and was runner-up in the New England's in 1957 in the welterweight class. He had 39 amateur bouts, won 35, 22 by the short route.

Unfortunately, Gordon's father, Peter, did not live to see him fight professionally. In his first pro fiight in Holyoke, Apr. 22, 1957, he knocked out Bobby Positano in one round but broke his hand. He did not fight again until January of this year. In his first fight after his layoff he battled to a draw with Vernon Lynch, who is now doing well in New York rings. He has beaten such experienced battlers as Gus Robinson, Johnny Johnikin, and Myrel Olmstead. In his most recent fights he blasted Richie Graham into dreamland in two rounds and then was stopped in two by Al Duarte.

Gordon was married last year to Theresa Musante and they have a daughter, Sharon, 5½ months old. Mrs. Parker, confidently sharing the young fighter's burden, has returned to her job as a dental technician. Gordon does the housework, changes diapers, and daughter Sharon is a familiar sight sleeping in the corner of the gymnasium while her father works out.

JIMMY KELLEY

Jimmy Kelley was born James Kalegaropolous, in Greece, July 25th, 1938. He came to this country in 1951 with his mother and two younger brothers, Peter and George. His father had been killed during World War II. Jimmy's mother had to go to work in the mills in Lowell but insisted that her boys go to school. Jimmy eventually took a job in a restaurant to help his mother support the family. He served in the U. S. Marines where he did a little boxing.

Lowell is the scene of an annual Golden Gloves tournament and Jimmy became interested. He was introduced to Al Dixon, who became his manager and trainer. Kelley engaged in 75 amateur fights and lost only two of them. He won the New England featherweight championship but lost out to the eventual winner of the Nationals and America's Olympic representative.

Kelley turned pro March 26th 1957 with a one round kayo over Gene Pless in Lowell. He romped through wins over Mike Perez (twice), Bobby Soares (twice), Ramon Soto, Jimmy Ithia, Myrel Olmstead, Johnny Johnikin, and Johnny Juliano, before being given his big test. On St. Patricks's Day in Boston he was matched with Jimmy Connors, who was also cutting quite a swath through the New England featherweight ranks. Kelley proved too strong for Connors and scored an upset by stopping him in six rounds.

Jimmy met his first and only pro defeat in his 16th bout. His foe that night was former world's featherweight champion, Willie Pep, one of the truly greats of the ring. Jimmy was undaunted and fought all the way but wily Willie had too much experience for him. In Jimmy Kelley's most recent fight he proved to Jimmy Connors' hometown fans that their first fight was not a fluke by stopping him again, this time in five rounds. This boy stands a chance of becoming one of the top Greek athletes of all time.

JOE DEVLIN

Joe Devlin is a native of Jamaica Plain, Mass., where he still makes his home. He has developed a large rooting section from his bailiwick which is a Boston suburb. Joe got his start at the C.Y.O. when he was 14 years old. He accepted an invitation to box and felt that he could beat anyone in the place. His opponent had a little schooling in the art of self-defense and found Devlin's head-down, wade-in style made to order for his left jab. Devlin was convinced and began his schooling under the C.Y.O. instructor, Pete Day.

On going into the Army in 1951 Devlin engaged in a few service bouts that he won. Upon his discharge he tangled with talented Eddie Andrews in Lowell and was promptly stowed away in the second round. Pete Day referred Joe to Bernie Doherty who carefully tutored him for over two years. When Joe finally did begin fighting he racked up six straight wins including one over Sonny Medeiros, who had won the New England title. He then turned pro and scored three wins in rapid succession. At that time Joe was working at the Walpole State Prison as a guard but his hours were changed so that it interfered with his training. He retired temporarily.

Joe manages a little sparring in the prison gym and gets his roadwork on the way to work. He rides as far as Walpole Center and then runs the additional four miles to the prison. In November 1957 he was able to resume his career. He has scored knockouts over Hal Janes, Rocky Ford, Walt Doman, Dick McCarthy, Danny Jones and Tony Veranis. In his most recent fight he won over veteran Armand Savoie. It was the first time Joe had been required to go the full ten rounds.

Joe is a family man. He is 24 years old and he and his wife, Helen, have three children, Peggy, Joey, and Johnny. He comes from a family of eight children. He hopes that his years of training will pay off and that he will be able to earn enough boxing to be able to buy a nice home for his family. Joe has engaged in ten pro fights and has scored seven kayoes. He is undefeated and his chances on maintaining that status are bright.

IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

By BILL MILLER

RUGGED Reuben Vargas, who hails from Richmond, California, might well be the answer to a Southern California promoter's prayer, for he's a Mexican heavyweight who can really fight.

This, despite the fact that he suffered a 6th round TKO at the hands of Monroe Ratliff at Hollywood Legion Stadium. Ratliff, 181; Vargas, 197. Referee Costello Cruz halted hostilities in the 6th.

Stoppage was due to a badly bruised left eye. At the time, two of the officials had Vargas leading by a single point; the third had it even-Stephen.

It was an interesting fight, and seems certain to be a rematch.

This boy Ratliff had been one of Roy Harris' sparmates when the Cut and Shoot warrior was training for his title fight with Floyd Patterson. He had earned the respect of spectators by his workouts at Arrowhead Springs Hotel, then went on to whip Dusty Rhodes, one of Patterson's sparring partners, in the semi-final to the title tilt.

Last year, Ratliff dropped a split decision to Zora Folley at Phoenix. Many of the fans thought Ratliff was entitled to the duke that night.

However, Vargas also distinguished himself against a top-ten guy. Just recently, in Oakland, Reubon lost by a split decision to Alex Miteff. Prior to that, Vargas had won four in a row by knockout this year.

In the six-round semi, Larry Wright, 135, took advantage of his superior reach to outpoint stocky little David Camacho of Monterrey, Mexico, 136. Camacho is a protege of fellow-townsman Lauro Salas.

The fours: Joey Armstrong, 135, dec. over Art Lopez, 141; Artie Fox, 160½, unanimous dec. over Easie Williams, 158; and Pepi Baroa, 162, TKO (2) over Willie Lewis, 158½.

▶ Our fellow-townsman, Don Jordan, made a successful Eastern debut in Madison Square Garden by outpointing Lahouari Godih of Algeria—unanimous decision. It was nationally televised.

▶ The reports on the Basilio-Aragon thriller at Wrigley Field, Los Angeles, that set a new California record, will be found elsewhere in this issue covered by Nat Fleischer who was a ringside spectator. On the undercard, Mexico's high ranking bantamweight contender, Joe Becerra, 120, scored a four round TKO over Little Cezar, 121½, of Manila, P. I. Cezar, once a top contender, was ahead when a left hook that cut his right eye in the third round, turned the tide. The eye was damaged and closing when the fight was stopped at 1:40 of the fourth round.

Dwight Hawkins, 123, Los Angeles, gained a close split nod over Danny Valdez, 125, also from Los Angeles, and Willie Dillon, 148, Chicago, packed too much power for DeWitt Lewis, 148, of Santa Monica and halted him in 58 seconds of the opening round.

▶ Jose Becerra, Mexico, 119, now rated No. 7 in banty rankings, had himself a ball at the expense of Willie (Toothpick) Parker, 118½, at the Olympic Auditorium, dropping him three times, the third for keeps. The time: 2:05, Round 2.

Senor Becerra didn't fare too well when he made his local debut here last year. He was stopped by Dwight Hawkins in a prelim to the Alphonse Helimi-Raul Macias title fight, which made it a bad night for Mexico, indeed.

But Jose more than made up for that mishap by his showing against Parker, witnessed by an estimated 3,500 fans.

The semi-final was slated for six, but Manny Gallardo, 128½, must have had an important date, for he floored Dave Martinez, 127, three times in Round 1 for a KO victory.

The fours: Joe Hernandez, 140, KO (4) over Jimmy Reece, 139; Jimmy Jones, 155½, KO (1) over Eli Moore, 159, and Edmond Edwards, 127½, KO (3) over Enrique Rodriguez, 125.

(Five fights, five knockouts. The fans went home early.)

▶ On the verge of a knockout in Round 2, state bantam champ Boots Monroe not only made it to his feet, but in Round 6 sent his opponent, Roberto Hernandez, Mexico, to the nice, clean showers at Hollywood Legion Stadium. Monroe, 122½; Hernandez, 123.

It was Monroe's first fight in three months. A looping right hand dropped Boots in the second heat. On hand, about 2,000.

In the six-round semi, Cesar Sanchez, 123, won a split decision over Cha Cha Uribe, 124½. The boys went at it hammer and tongs, and got a big hand from the fans.

The fours: Larry Tover, 130, TKO (3) over Dick White, 132; Ward Yee, Frankie Muche's talented young feather, TKO (3) over Reggie Wilson, 120.

▶ L. C. Morgan (the "L" stands for Langston), 143, Youngstown, scored a 10th round TKO over rugged Augustin (Chilango) Rosales, 144½, Mexico, at the Olympic Auditorium in a wild and woolly slugfest. The courageous Mexican was floored twice, down for nine in the 5th from a right to the head, and again for eight in the 6th, when a left to the body sent him sprawling.

In the final round, Morgan was battering Rosales at will when Referee Frankie Van stepped in and halted hostilities.

In the six-round semi, middleweight Hank Davis decisioned Jimmy Jones; both boys weighed 157.

The fours: Theodore Bonzali, 158, TKO 3 over Wyatt Earp—(Wyatt Earp?!!!!) Dillard Jackson, 159, dec. Oreece Tatum, 160; and Floyd Mayfield, 148, dec. Bobby Vasquez, 147½.

▶ Colorful Jose Luis Cotero, Dr. Al Stolper's aggressive featherweight, 127½, punched his way back into the hearts of his countrymen at Hollywood Legion Stadium when he racked up the unanimous verdict over Irish Tommy Bain, also 127½, in one of the best battles of the year at the Filmville arena.

Delighted fans flooded the canvas with silver at the finish, and there is no greater proof of satisfaction.

Referee Tommy Hart voted 100-92; Judge Dynamite Jackson, 98-88, and Judge John Thomas, 99-92—all for Cotero, of course. Some 3,000 fans were on hand to see the televised tiff.

Cotero scored the only knockdown of the fight, in the 9th, but Bain was up instantly. At least, he did better than Pajarito Moreno.

Norman Letcher, former Golden Glove champ, 174½, survived some hard bombardment to score a 4th round knockout over Bobby Sand, 171, in the semi-final, slated for six. This was also a thriller.

The fours: Jimmy Mitchell, 138, dec. Dick Enrique, 138½; Collier Cox, 127, dec. Ray Avalos, 126; and Art Wilson, 150, TKO (1) over Vic Martin, 153.

▶ It was experience and fast hands against hard-hitting youth, and this resulted in a stalemate in the headliner at the Auditorium in Richmond. Buddy McDonald, veteran ring warrior from Edmonton, Canada, fought to a ten round draw with Luke Easter, rugged San Francisco lightweight. Weights: McDonald, 143; Easter, 138.

Gross was $1,308 in the program promoted by Jimmy Cosenza. Referee Jack Silver, sole official, listed 96 points for each battler.

McDonald put Luke down for no-count in the second. Easter roared back to floor McDonald in the third, Buddy also getting up without a count.

Just when it appeared Easter was wearing McDonald down, Buddy put on a burst of speed to take the seventh, eighth and ninth. He inflicted a cut over Easter's left eye in the seventh, which bothered the San Franciscan noticeably.

Easter put on a fast finish to take the tenth and even up the score.

Prelim results: Ronnie Perez, 125, dec. Willie Woods, 126, in 4; Ernie Gipson, 161, KO'd Don Edmunds, 160, in 2; Frankie Ray, 147, dec. Kenny Willis, 143, in 6.

▶ Ned Cronin, an old and valued friend, died at Beverly Hills Doctors Hospital after a short illness. He was 48, and I first met him more than a quarter of a century ago when he was a cub on the staff of his uncle, the well-beloved Bob Cronin, sports editor of the Daily News.

Ned was a gifted writer, and all who knew him will miss him. When the Daily News folded, in 1954, Cronin was immediately signed by the L. A. Times. His daily column was a must, at breakfast time.

A golfing enthusiast, Ned shot in the high 70s and low 80s. His funeral was attended by a Who's Who in sports, men from every branch of athletics, as well as civic leaders and newspapermen and women.

Over the long years, Cronin ran many of my letters. He always referred to me as William Makepeace Miller, a tag bestowed upon me by Bill Corum more than 30 years ago. Heaven knows why.

▶ That Floyd Patterson-Roy Harris fight at Wrigley Field, L. A., which was covered in last month's issue by your friend and mine, Nathaniel Fleischer, certainly had plenty of opposition, sports-wise. Just look at this line-up:

On August 15th, the Dodgers and the Cardinals played a double-header at the Coliseum. August 16th, Rams vs. Redskins in the annual Times Charities football game. August 17th, another baseball double-header, Dodgers vs. Cardinals. August 18th, the heavyweight title fight. August 19th, another double-header, this time between the Dodgers and the Milwaukee Braves.

Thus, within the space of five days, a world heavyweight title match; three baseball double-headers, and an always-exciting football game, opener of the pro grid season.

Despite which, the fight drew a gross of $234,183, to set a new West Coast record for receipts, and a crowd of more than 21,000. This record, however, was bettered in the Basilio-Aragon fight that drew 22,500 fans and a gate of $236,521.10.

▶ That wild and woolly Latin larruper, Alvaro Gutierrez of Mexico, 146½, scored his third straight knockout at the Olympic Auditorium at the expense of Pat Manzi, stablemate of Carmen Basilio, 148. The end came in Round 7, when Referee John Thomas, after consultation with club medico Dr. Robert Rocke, ruled that Manzi was unable to continue.

Both of Manzi's eyes were cut and bleeding, despite which Pat strongly protested the stoppage.

In previous local fights, Gutierrez had stopped L. C. Morgan and Karl Heinz Guder of Germany. All three scraps were action-packed.

The Mexican madman, a non-stop puncher, was penalized two points for blows which landed below the Mason-Dixon line.

A crowd of about 3,000, including Basilio, witnessed the carnage. The fighters were awarded the highest prize that scrappers could get in a Los Angeles ring: a silver shower from the customers. (I got hit on the head with a two-bit piece. Glad it wasn't a silver dollar!)

In the semi-final, little Abe Villa, 116, was awarded a kayo over Benny Coca, 119, in the 6th and last round. This one was also a slam-bang affair.

The fours: Ray Castro, 136, drew with Joe Jacobs, 134; Dillard Jackson, 158, dec. Willie Barnes, 167; and Rocky Flores, 155, dec. Paul Anderson, 156.

▶ It happened in Chicago, but many thousand of Southern California fans witnessed the weird finish to that Virgil Akins-Tombstone Smith scrap via TV. Tombstone, a mile ahead on points going into the 10th and last round, got klopped on the chin by the champ and the fight was rather hastily halted by Referee Sikora.

Did you notice the gate receipts? A "crowd" of 862 paid a gross of $1101 to see the scrap. It would have drawn ten G's here in L.A., even if locally televised.

▶ Heavyweights held the center of the stage at Richmond in a bout which was a step upward for Bob Butcher of San Francisco and the ruining of comeback hopes for Tommy Harrison of Los Angeles. Butcher won on a ninth round TKO when Referee Jack Downey halted proceedings in the headliner at Richmond Auditorium. Weights: Butcher, 200; Harrison, 182.

During the proceedings Harrison was on the floor three times. Butcher's rights to the jaw accounted for canvas trips in the sixth and seventh, and a left hook put Harrison down in the eighth. Tommy kept his feet in the fateful ninth, but was taking a rain of punches when the fight was stopped.

Harrison had two good rounds, the third and fourth, when body punches and hefty right uppercuts made blonde Bob realize he was in a battle.

Gross receipts for Promoter Jimmy Cosenza's program were $1633.

Prelims: Norm Smith, 162, dec. Willie Moon, 161, in 6; Bill Pate, 153, KO'd Gene Brasher, 159, in 1; Howard Pasley, 138,

drew with Larry Vargas, 135 in 4; Joe Sullivan, 185, stopped Owen Kessel, 189 in 3.

▶ State bantam champ Boots Monroe scored his 20th win in 21 pro starts at the Olympic Auditorium by stopping Nacho Escalante, Mexico, in 1:25 of Round 3.

There was a funny sidelight to this one.

Monroe's manager, Don Nesseth, had a reservation on the 10:45 plane to New York, where his other ace, Don Jordan, was booked to battle Lahouari Godih in Madison Square Garden.

"Gotta make that plane, "Boots", quoth Nesseth. At least, it is reported that he quothed that.

He did. The main event, slated for ten rounds, ended at 9:45 p.m., and Don made the plane with time to spare.

Monroe weighed 120, Escalante 117.

An accidental butt in Round 2 opened a gash over Nacho's left eye. Referee George Latka stated that if he had stopped the fight then, his verdict would have been "technical draw". But Dr. Robert Rocke, club medic, after giving the damaged optic a good gander, thought the bout could proceed. It did, and in Round 3 Boots landed a long right hand over the damaged optic which caused the blood to spurt again. This time the doctor decided it would be dangerous to continue.

In the six-round semi, Timmie Jefferson, 136, defeated Norman Johnson, 138. The fours: Jeff Jones, 160, drew with Ray Lopez, 155½; Basilio Yniquez, 125, dec. Arnold Vigil, 129; and Spider Walker 124 KO (2) over Al Tovar, 126.

Here are the reports of fights covered by my co-worker, Jerry Mullany from Richmond, Reno, Oakland, Sacramento and Watsonville:

Jerry Mullany Reports:

Cisco Andrade, who retired last year when he was still considered one of the top bracket lightweights, appears to be definitely back among the active 135 pound campaigners. Such was the consensus of Northern California boxing writers after the Compton Comet knocked out Bobby Bell in seven rounds in Oakland.

This contest was considered a test of Andrade's sharpness after a long layoff, and also proof of the full recovery of Cisco's ailing left arm. The left was kept working overtime in the first five rounds, and Andrade reported after the bout that there was no sign of muscular strain.

Even with stylists like Cisco, the right hand is the payoff. It was a solid right that put Bell down for nine in the seventh, and a follow-up right that decked Bobby for eight. Bell was unable to come out for the eighth.

Andrade weighed 136; Bell, of Youngstown, Ohio, scaled 133. They fought in the Oakland Auditorium. The program was in charge of Jimmy Dundee, promoter, and Don Chargin, matchmaker. Gross receipts were $2401.

The prelims: Jerry Hunnicutt, 152, KO'd Sonny Pena, 159, in 1; Willie Moon, 163; drew with Ed Bouvard, 162, in 4; Frankie Ray, 149, stopped Kenny Willis, 149, in 1; Howard Pasley, 136, dec. Rickey Zamacona.

▶ Jerry Mullany Reports: As many travel brochures attest, Reno does not lack for attractions. However, the fine scenery, glittering gambling palaces and even the parade of pretty divorce seekers may be enjoyed any day of the year. The residents and visitors had only a limited time one recent Monday evening to see a pugilistic phenomenon, Archie Moore, 199, clash with Howard King, 195, a northern Nevada regional favorite.

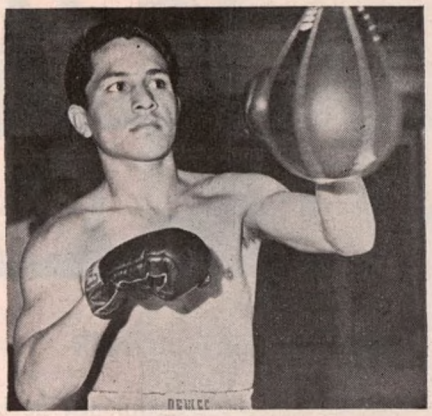
Even though this was their fifth encounter, more than 4,000 fans went to Moana Ball Park and paid a gross exceeding $10,000. The lightheavyweight champion again took the verdict, but King did better than in any of the previous bouts. Referee Jimmy Olivas voted a draw, as did Judge Bill Stremmel. Judge Tony Smercina gave it to Moore, 49–27.

Moore had a guarantee of $3,000, with King getting $1,000 for his efforts.

Prelims: Curley Lee, 178, TKO'd Edgar Romero, 225, in 3; Frankie McCoy, 171, stopped Sam Evans, 172, in 2; Spud Peroddy, 138, halted Larry Long, 137, in 2; Glen Bell, 148, dec. Jean LaForte, 145, in 4; Willie McGee, 149, KO'd Richard Hardison, 151, in 2; Ron Sanchez, 135, drew with Sonny Boy Burris, 130.

▶ Oakland, which usually shows only when it can get a pair of nationally known mitt slingers, varied from this program to pair two local favorites who had recently put on a spirited special event. Clarence Williams, who had won a close decision from Herman Henry in the first bout, made things easy for the officials in the second contest, knocking out Henry in the third.

Statistics: gross gate, $2,618. Arena-Oakland Auditorium, Promoter, Jimmy Dundee, with Don Chargin as matchmaker. Williams,



Cisco Andrade, who retired last year while still considered one of the top lightweights, stopped Bobby Bell in seven rounds of a comeback fight and appears headed for his high ranking once more.

of Hayward, weighed 192; Henry, of S. F., scaled 183.

Williams got off to a bad start, being staggered by Herman's left hook in the first. But in the second Williams floored his foe twice, the bell saving Henry. Clarence weathered a flurry of punches in a Henry rally in the third. Then Williams took over and ended it in 1:24 of the round.

Other results: Don Kelly, 156, dec. Willie Moon, 158, in 4; Leon Hatcher, 201, stopped Joe Miles, 239, in 3; Jerry Hunnicutt, 153, halted Deacon Bryant, 151, in 4; Howard Pasley, 139, outpointed Rickey Zamacona, 135, in 4.

▶ Veteran San Francisco boxing observers often make comparisons between three whirlwind fighters: Henry Armstrong and Harry Greb, who became world famous, and Willie Hoppe, who achieved only local prominence. Hoppe, busiest main eventer in S.F., between 1914 and 1920, died recently at his home in Healdsburg, Calif.

According to one old-timer, "Hoppe tossed twice as many punches in a round as Armstrong did." This observer was quick to concede that Hoppe only had to gear himself for four rounds (the legal limit in those days), and he was not fighting in title brackets like Hammerin' Henry.

▶ Bobby Scanlon, Irish lightweight who has title aspirations, was definitely at a fateful milestone in his busy career. Many of his San Francisco adherents were apprehensive, figuring he was overmatched when he took on explosive Joey Lopes in Joey's own Sacramento. But Bobby, apparently unworried, clearly outboxed Lopes to take the ten round decision. Weights: Scanlon, 135; Lopes, 135.

It was Scanlon's first invasion of the lightweight charmed circle. Lopes was ranked No. 8 before the fight. The bout drew $12,000 plus, paid by 3825 spectators at the Sacramento Memorial Auditorium. Larry Ducchini handled the promotion, with Johnny Sylvester as matchmaker.

Scanlon's left jab was working accurately, keeping the on-rushing Sacramentan at bay and rarely letting Joey get within firing range. Bobby staggered Lopes with a hook in the first round, the nearest thing to a knockdown in the battle.

Lope's accurate body punching accounted for his best round, the eighth, and he continued to make matters uncomfortable for Scanlon in the ninth. But young Bobby gave the veteran a plastering in the tenth to account for the 96-93 point consensus of the officials.

Scanlon's rise to prominence in the past year has been under the direction of Manager Art Benjamin.

Other results: Bobby Sanders, 146, dec. Frankie Ray, 145, in 6; Al Medrano, 134, KO'd Jim Mackey, 134, in 4; Willie Woods, 124, halted George Page, 127, in 3; Willie Simon, 198, stopped Dave Ford, 206, in 3.

▶ As the crow (or the superjet) flies, Watsonville is less than 100 miles southwest of San Francisco. But the terrain in between is mostly mountains, so that it might take five hours for a fight fan to drive to Watsonville to see a battle between his favorites. So Watsonville has to count on its local customers, as it did when about 1,000 paid their way in to see Ross Padilla take a ten round decision from Frankie Duarti.

Padilla, from Manila and now a Stockton resident, scaled 120½; Duarti, of Nogales, Mexico, weighed 120. Mickey Caspar's promotion at the Watsonville Civic Auditorium drew $1900 gross. Co-promoter was Rex Powell.

In a scheduled ten-round companion feature, Joe Vargas, 126, Stockton, knocked out Fernando Aguilar, 132, Sacramento, in the third session.

In the opening six rounder, Milton Jones, 145, Sacramento, counterpunched his way to a decision over Al Garibay, 144, Salinas.

BOXING NEWS FROM HAWAII
By Ted Yamachira

Stan Harrington, 150 Hawaii's welterweight champion, pounded Karl Heinz Guder, 150¾, of Essen, Germany, almost at will for seven rounds before the fight was mercifully stopped at the start of the eighth. Guder, compaining of difficulty in breathing because of a damaged nose, was unable to answer the bell for that round. The fight was held at the Civic Auditorium.

Except for an even first round, Stan was credited with all the others. He found Guder's style exactly to his liking and started blasting away with his best shots, mostly left hooks and right crosses, from the second to the time the fight was stopped. He rocked Guder with solid blows in almost every round but was unable to score a knockdown.

Guder, despite his claim of 25 knockouts in 37 fights, showed no punch whatsoever. The few good blows he landed didn't faze Harrington in the least. Guder displayed an uncanny ability to absorb punishment but that was about all. He bled continuously from the third round on. He was a gory, thoroughly beaten fighter at the end of the seventh.

The fight drew the best indoor crowd of the last three years; 4,700 fans paid $9,974.00 to watch the Boxing Enterprises, Ltd. promoted show.

Anacleto Battad, 153¾, held Kid Rayo, 149½, to an eight round draw.

Francis Militante, 125 decisioned Al Carroll, 125, 4 rounds.

Walter Vares, 135, outpointed Wilfred Tisalona, 133, 4 rounds.

Yutaka Saikawa, 142¼, TKO'ed Felix Aciro, 144¼, in the 2nd.

▶ Honolulu's Stan Harrington 152¾, scored the biggest triumph of his career by decisively outpointing ringwise Chico Vejar 158¾, of Stamford, Conn., in a ten round fight at the Civic Auditorium Aug. 18, 1958. The win was a surprisingly easy one for the local fighter. A clouter with little boxing finesse, he was supposed to experience difficulty against a boxer-puncher type of fighter like Vejar but he outdid himself, punched and boxed well enough to gain the unanimous nod of the officials. Referee Louis Freitas favored Harrington, 49-43, and judges Walter Cho and Wilbert Minn, 50-43 and 50-41 respectively.

The fight, promoted by Boxing Enterprises, **Ltd., drew 4,863 fans for a gross of$16,607.80.** (Honolulu's second biggest indoor gate.) Harrington won the fight on the strength of his harder punches. At times he appeared **over-eager and in trying** to land a haymaker, he missed as many punches as he landed.

Vejar was really tough and he took or rolled with everything Harrington had to offer. But the punishment he took must have weakened him considerably because his punches lost its steam very early in the fight. But he kept trying and kept the fight interesting by mixing it up at every opportunity.

Kid Rayo, 148, TKO'ed Lem Miller, 144, in the 4th of 8. Miller suffered a fractured jaw. Francis Militante, 122½, beat Al Carroll, 125, 5 rounds. Yutaka Saikawa, 140¼, decisioned Mel Freitas, 139, 5 rounds. Dan Melendez, 134½, held Walter Vares, 136¼, to a 4 round draw.

IN AND AROUND CHICAGO
By Lenny Myers

THE INTERNATIONAL BOXING CLUB PRESENTED Virgil Akins and Charley (Tombstone) Smith at the Chicago Stadium in an over-weight non-title tenner. The bout was a thriller all the way with Smith winning most of the way until he got stopped in the tenth and final round. Akins couldn't seem to untrack himself until the last round when he found the range. The referee stopped the bout, which was televised nationally.

Joe Hemphill, 188, Chicago, defeated Lou Bailey, 179, in six rounds. Willie Coleman, 209, won over Norman Bolden, 198, in a hard-fought four spot. Abe Linnear, 157, Chicago, beat Wolcott Jackson, 162, Chicago, in six fast rounds. Wiley Johnson, 145, Detroit, defeated Al Jones, 150, St. Louis, in four fast rounds. Carlo Sarlo, 148, Chicago, beat King Farouk, 146, in a slam bang sixer.

Seen and Heard in new york

By JERSEY JONES

IT was a brief dispatch out of Windsor, Ontario, reporting the passing of an ex-fighter, Patsy Drouillard, that got us thinking of the many good ringmen turned out through the years by Canada, and the notable contributions our neighbor to the north has made to ring history. Among those contributions have been several world champions and several others who should have been.

Drouillard, a few weeks short of 65 when he was counted out, never scaled the lofty championship heights, but he was a rugged, durable sort, and good enough to step along with the best of the world's lightweight's in an era when the lightweight division was loaded with real fighters.

Built along short, stocky lines (he measured only 5 feet, 3¾ inches in altitude), Drouillard did most of his scrapping in his native Windsor and the adjacent American state of Michigan. He was at his peak from 1913 through 1916, when he swapped punches with the likes of Joe Welling, Johnny Dundee, K. O. Brown, Phil Bloom, Joe Mandot, Johnny Lustif, Rocky Kansas, Milburn Saylor and the world champion, Freddie Welsh.

When his ring career ended, Patsy concentrated on developing his son, Orville, into a fighter, and he accomplished a pretty fair job. Orville, also a lightweight, became a popular journeyman during the late '30s.

CANADIAN CAPERS.

One could fill several volumes with detailed accounts of the many important roles Canada and her ringsters have played in major boxing history.

Those roles assume all the more impressive proportions when one considers that the Dominion, despite the vastness of territory, has been limited in population. Even today, despite the steady immigration from Europe since the close of World War II, the total is only 17,000,000, hardly more than we have here in New York State. Nine-tenths of that population is centered in probably twenty cities spread across 4,000 miles of continent from Halifax in the eastern Maritimes to Vancouver on the Pacific Coast. The main centers are Quebec City, Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto, Winnipeg, Regina, Saskatoon, Calgary and Edmonton.

Getting back to Canada's fistic history; one of the early claimants of the middleweight title was George Fulljames of Toronto. Challenged by the original Jack Dempsey (the Nonpareil), Fulljames came down to New York to settle the issue in 1884. The bout, held on Staten Island, was won by Dempsey.

It was another Canadian, George LaBlanche, who scored that stunning 32-round knockout of Dempsey in San Francisco in 1890, only to have his victory nullified when the winning "pivot punch" was declared illegal. LaBlanche was a native of Point Levi in Quebec Province.

Two of the ring's all-time greats, George Dixon and Sam Langford, were products of Nova Scotia.

Tommy Burns, who held the heavyweight title from 1906 to 1908, hailed from an obscure little Ontario village called Hanover.

Although he billed himself out of Chicago during his long, busy career, bantamweight champion (1910-1914) Johnny Coulon was a Canadian, born in Toronto.

Frankie Fleming, who knocked out Benny Leonard early in the latter's career (1913), was a native of Toronto but operated out of Montreal.

Gilbert Gallant, one of the better lightweights during the 1910s, originated in a tiny Quebec village.

SOME GREAT RINGMEN.

Arthur Pelkey, Luther McCarty's opponent in that tragic episode in Calgary in 1913, listed his home town as Chatham, Ontario.

Jack Delaney (Ovila Chapdelaine), who held the light-heavyweight title during the '20s, was born in St. Francis, Quebec.

Another champion with a Canadian background was Lou Brouillard, welterweight title-holder and later claimant of the disputed middleweight laurels in the '30s. Brouillard made his terrestrial debut in St. Eugene, Quebec.

Born in Ireland, Jimmy McLarnin was a wee tot when his family emigrated to Canada and settled in Vancouver. It was as a Canadian that Jimmy began his brilliant ring career which culminated in the acquisition of the welterweight title in the early '30s.

It would be a difficult task to tabulate all the Canadians who've attained varying degrees of fistic prominence through the years, but a partial list would include heavyweights Jack Renault and Larry Gains; light-heavyweight Charley Belanger; middleweights Gene Brosseau, Del Fontaine and Frank Battaglia; welterweights Georgie Fifield, Sammy Luftspring, Billy Townsend, Maxie Berger and Johnny Greco; lightweights Clonie Tait, Georges Chabot, Leo (Kid) Roy and Dave Castilloux; featherweight Vic Foley; bantamweights Bobby (Bad News) Eber, Baby Yack and Spider Armstrong, and flyweights Frenchy Belanger, Steve Rocco and Jackie Johnston.

As in the United States, the sock market has been declining somewhat in Canada in recent years, but shows still are staged as and when attractive matches materialize and the Dominion continues to keep fairly active in the international fistic scene with a pretty fair assortment of representatives, among them heavyweight George Chuvalo, light-heavyweight Yvon Durelle, middleweight Wilf Greaves, welterweights Arthur King and Gale Kerwin, lightweights Richie Howard and Jackie Hayden, featherweight Pete Kawala and bantamweight Pat Supple.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, SAM!

It seems difficult to believe Sam Taub recently celebrated the 72nd anniversary of his arrival on this restless sphere.

The years do move on, sometimes all too rapidly, but they don't seem to have affected Taub to any appreciable extent. He's the same peppery little guy we first met nearly four decades ago.

In those days, Sam was personal secretary to Bat Master-

son, the old gun-slinging sheriff of Dodge City, Kansas, during the boisterous era of Wyatt Erp.

Somewhat mellowed but still a cantakerous cuss, Masterson was promoting fights and writing for a local publication in Denver when the New York *Morning Telegraph* offered him a job as featured sports columnist.

Besides filling in as Masterson's secretary, Taub covered boxing for the *Telegraph*, and we got to know him well when we were breaking into the newspaper business as an ambitious young cub with the old New York *Globe*.

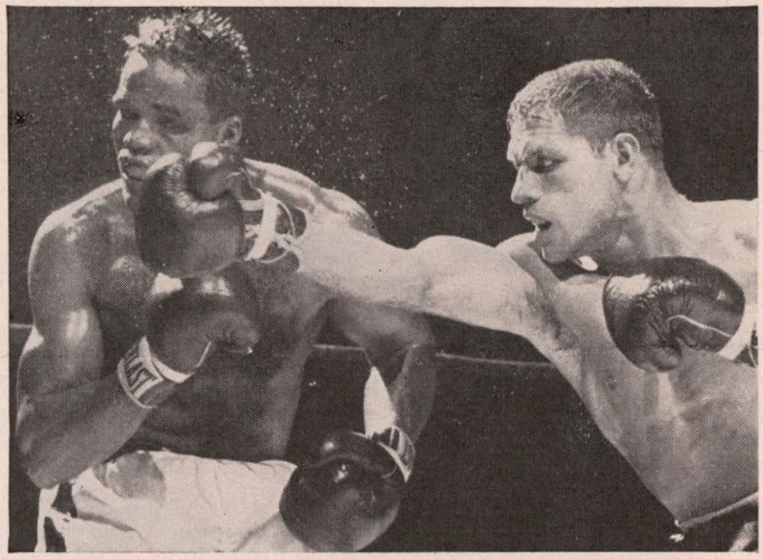
Through the years Taub's activities have been many and varied. After Masterson's death in 1922, Sam remained with the *Telegraph* and became sports editor. If we recall rightly, it was in 1928 that Taub left the paper during a reorganization program. Since then he's been a prominent radio and television commentator, has handled quite a few sports publicity assignments, and currently contributes a weekly boxing column to the New York *Sporting Bulletin*. During and for several years following World War II, Sam was an indefatigable worker in rounding up sports and theatrical talent for visits to the veterans' hospitals in and around New York. And let's not forget he has been perennial recording secretary of the New York Boxing Writers Association since its reorganization in 1927.

We don't know where a little guy, who probably can still make the flyweight limit, gets all that amazing energy, but here's hoping it'll hold out for Sam Taub to enjoy many more happy birthdays.

THE MONTH'S OBITS.

Although he had been in failing health for a year or more, it was a shock nevertheless to hear of the passing of Jack Curley (square name Herman Saltzman), long-time assistant to Lew Stillman at the latter's gymnasium. Ironically, Curley died on his 60th birthday. During his thirty or so years of association with Stillman, Jack had managed an estimated 300 fighters. Most of them were only preliminary boys, but a few managed to attain fair shares of prominence. One was a Father Divine "disciple," Saint Thomas. Another heavyweight was John Thomas. A third was Phil Burton, who campaigned as a lightweight and a welterweight.

Another obituary item for the month reported the final count for Frank Zamaris, Greek light-heavyweight of Orange, N. J. Zamaris was 44 when he died in the East Orange Veterans Hospital. A colorful performer during the late '30s and early '40s, Zamaris wasn't much on cleverness and his chin wasn't too rugged, but he packed a tremendous punch and was apt to flatten anybody he could hit. As a matter of fact, most of his fights ended in knockouts, one way or the other. In fifty-nine starts, he dumped the other guy in twenty-eight and was dumped himself in seven. His most notable achievement was in 1936 when Melio Bettina, then on his way to the light-heavyweight title, dropped into Newark for a date with Zamaris. It was an eight-round bout and for seven rounds and two minutes Bettina whaled the bejabbers out of the Greek. Then, with one minute to go, Zamaris pulled one out of nowhere and flattened Bettina. In a return bout two weeks later, however, Bettina gave Zamaris a thorough drubbing.



Stefan Redl bounces a long right off Gil Turner's chin during early rounds of Madison Square Garden bout but veteran Philadelphian came back to outlast the Passaic youngster and win decision in ten rounds.

THESE AND THOSE.

If the New York sock market is bemoaning the sad plight of local boxing, with only two cards staged during the entire month, it can share the same weeping towel with our pals over in the British Isles. In one recent stretch of two weeks, NOT ONE show was staged in England, Wales, Scotland or Ireland!

THE month's results:

Like the old grey mare, he ain't what he used to be, but buzz-saw Gil Turner, 151¾, Philadelphia, still is a troublesome problem for any of the welters and middles, particularly a youngster like Stefen Redl, 147, the Hungarian-born German, now operating out of Passaic, N. J. Turner, 27-year-old veteran of 74 professional battles with the world's best in the two divisions, outlasted Redl in a gruelling ten in Madison Square Garden. It was Turner's swarming aggressiveness and busy body punching that won for him. Redl, the better boxer and sharper puncher, had the better of the early milling but he couldn't maintain the rugged pace set by Turner and faded in the closing stanzas. Turner was credited with the only knockdown of the bout when he caught Redl off-balance in the third and dropped him to his haunches. Stefan was up immediately but had to take the mandatory eight-count. The semi-final, also scheduled for ten, ended at 1:49 of the ninth when Eddie Thompson, 159, St. Albans, stopped George Harrell, 160¾, Brooklyn. Jay Anderson, 162, Philadelphia, drew with Burke Emery, 165½, Sherbrooke, Canada in eight. In fours, Douglas Jones, 159, Harlem, decisioned Jimmy McNaur, 159, Brooklyn, and Rudy Williams, 167¾, Mt. Vernon, won from James Tillis, 174½, Linden, N. J.

▶ Showing for the first time in a New York ring, Don Jordan, 139¼, Los Angeles, seemed lucky to grab the decision over Lahouari Godih, 136½, France, after ten fast if unspectacular rounds in Madison Square Garden. Jordan, stronger and the harder hitter, got off to an early lead, but Godih, a light-hitting, shifty boxer, began to step out at the half-way mark. Jordan tired in the closing sessions and Godih, boxing smoothly and making good use of his left, pumped a constant stream of jabs and hooks into the Californian's features. The decision in Jordan's favor met with a mixed reception from the ringsiders, many of whom felt that Godih had earned the edge by his strong finish. The bout topped a card of three featured tens. In the semi-final, Danny Russo, 151, Brooklyn, hustled his way to a decision over Eddie Lynch, 151, West Side. The first ten, between Bronx rivals Bill Flamio, 145, and Frank Ippolito, 142½, was halted at 2:12 of the eighth because of a severe gash on Ippolito's forehead. In a couple of fours, Joe Fusco, 154½, Waterbury, Conn., outpointed Teddy Roosevelt Myrick, 155, Youngstown, O., and George Warren, 165½, Harlem, drew with Tommy Hough, 169, Newark, N. J.

Randy Sandy, from all accounts, made quite an impression on Londoners by spotting some ten pounds to one of England's better young light-heavies, Ron Redrup, and getting a draw for himself. Most of the ringsiders thought Randy won. The lanky Harlemite ought to do well for himself if he decides to continue operations in Europe. There arent many middleweights over yonder he cannot beat—and that goes for light-heavies as well.

On the subject of European ring activity—at the age of 31, with eleven years of industrious activity behind him, Jean Sneyers of Belgium, one of the finest little fighting machines produced on the Continent since the close of World War II, has announced his retirement. Jean feels that looking after his flourishing fleet of taxicabs and sightseeing 'busses in Brussels doesn't permit him enough time to train properly and do himself justice in the ring, so he wisely decided to hang up the mittens. During his career, Jean held three European titles—flyweight, bantamweight and featherweight—and his overall record ended with 61 wins, 4 draws and 13 defeats in 78 outings.

Since Gene-Ace Armstrong crashed the Big Ten in the middleweight ratings, another young New Jerseyan, Eddie Dixon of Newark, is looking for his "big break." Dixon, managed by Bobby Nelson, displayed fine form in outpunching Bobby Gordon in a recent Madison Square Garden semi-final, and off that showing Matchmaker Jack Barrett of the International Boxing Club is expected to give him the chance he's been hoping for.

West Virginia, which averages two or three minor fight cards a year, has contributed the new president of the National Boxing Association, Dr. Ward Wylie, succeeding Gilbert Jackson of Wisconsin.

We, for one, weren't too surprised when the veteran Ralph (Tiger) Jones wrecked Mickey Crawford in what was generally regarded as an "upset" in Chicago. From what we had seen of Crawford in his New York appearances, the young Michigander didn't seen too strong or durable. He was a shifty sort, and had some flashy combinations, but he fought only in flurries and didn't appear to have the stamina for sustained action or the ruggedness to withstand a steady pounding. The Jones bout confirmed our suspicions.

Dan "Doc" Avery, long a Ring Magazine correspondent, is the matchmaker of new Bangor, Maine, Club.

By **NAT LOUBET**

THE MAT WORLD

ON AND AROUND THE MAT

GEORGE HACKENSCHMIDT, currently in America, is lecturing and attempting to have his life story put into print and sell world leaders on his philosophy of life that he hopes will save the world. He made a visit to The Ring Office.

Hale and hearty, the octogenarian with spritely step and piercing eyes looks like a man in his middle fifties. Except for his balding pate, he would look even younger. He still maintains his vitality and thinks nothing of climbing into a ring with a young wrestler to help him along.

"It's no fun though," says George, "There's no competition—the youngsters are afraid to hurt grandpa and I'm afraid to hurt them because they don't put forth their best efforts."

What does he think of "modern" wrestling as compared with the Greco-Roman style at which he was considered one of the worlds best?

"I'm not a dreamer who thinks that everything that happened in my day was better than it is today. It's an entirely different game today—it's theatre and as such is some of the best entertainment that people can see for their money.

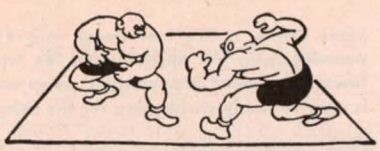
"Don't mix it up with the type of wrestling we did in my day," he continued. "Fans would boo us out of the ring—there wouldn't be sufficient action to suit them."

Accepted as one of the six best wrestlers of all-time along with Frank Gotch, Ed Strangler Lewis, the Great Gama, Jimmy Londos and Stanislaus Zbyszko with him and Gotch the outstanding, it was only natural that we ask if Gotch was the best wrestler Hackie ever faced?

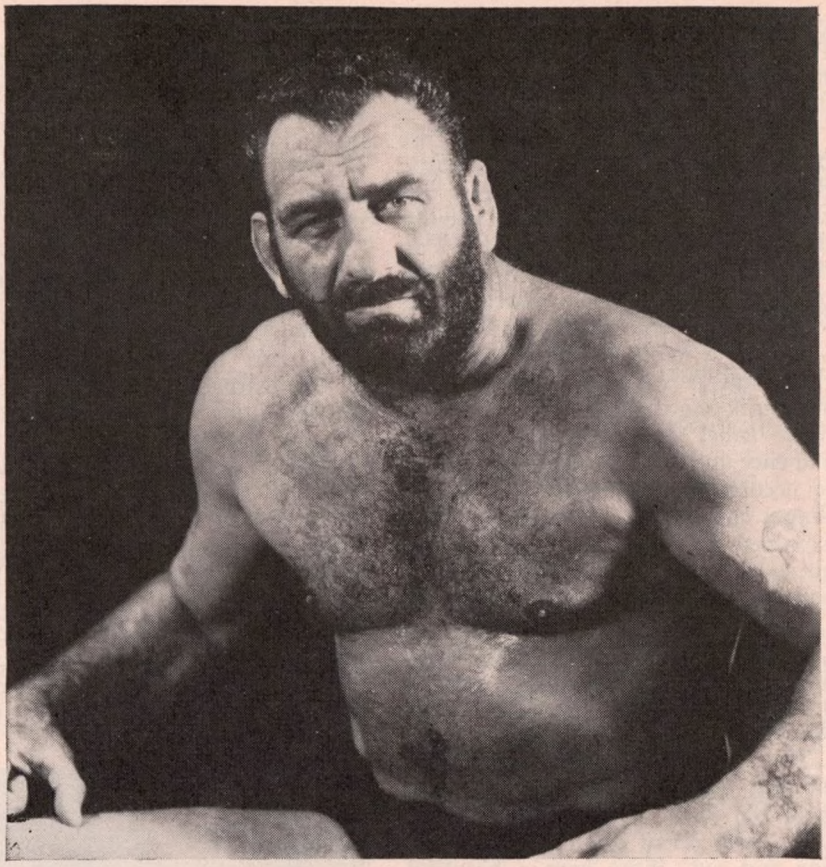
The answer was a surprise. And it came quickly without any hesitation.

"No Gotch wasn't the best of the lot by a long shot. The Turks were the best wrestlers I ever met. I never faced the Great Gama but Yousouf, the Terrible Turk and Mehmet Yousuf were the two most versatile and best all

Above: The shapely and glamorous Peggy King, one of the durable toughies among the gals. She hails from Reynoldsburg, Ohio and has been a star in the mat game for over seven years. Left: Ray Stevens of Columbus, Ohio, who has become one of the leading junior heavyweights in the U. S.



Wrestling Enters 1958 Fall Season Firmly Entrenched As One Of America's Top Spectator Attractions



Pete Monagoff, a veteran villain, appearing in the Carolinas, who has become a hot favorite due to the havoc he creates in the ring.

around wrestlers that I ever faced."

George, speaking in a soft tone, suggested that he had better leave before he made other statements, to get himself in trouble. Anyhow he had another appointment and hustled out of the office.

HERE AND THERE . . .

Captain Holmes, former manager of Lord Blears, is now in the real estate business in Woodland Hills, California. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Billy Wolf became the proud parents of a baby boy. . . . Mr. Wolf is a ladies' wrestling impresario and his wife is none other than Betsy Ross, a top notcher among the lady grapplers.

Count Varga and Fritz Von Goering have hooked up in a tag team combo that should give the fans many a thrill and boff . . . they are both superb performers. Varga will be remembered as the Hawaiian champ and claimant to the American title and Goering for his bit as a distastful Nazi.

Herb Freeman has left the sunny climes of Florida for the other sunny spot, California. Ricki Star, who showed so well in the East last winter is also on the Pacific Coast.

Whipper Billy Watson recuperated from his match with a hospital bed is back in Canada and ready to go. . . . Dick Hutton defended his title (NWA) with gusto and the curfew of 11:15 P.M. halted the championship affair between him and Lou Thez, ex NWA title holder. Hutton retained his crown after going through a zanny routine for 36 minutes in which skill and science paid second fiddle to a new concept (Dick's) of what the wrestling rules should be.

Two-Ton Tony Galento, ex-heavyweight pug and grappler, in Miami, Florida, for the opening of "Wind Across the Everglades", his third and most prominent movie role. . . . Tony reminisced about the time he was touring the U. S. in an act in which he boxed a bear. It seems that the bear was trained by a German and didn't speak English. Tony didn't speak German (some will claim he can't speak English either). There was the night that Tony let go his haymaker at the bear (a fake punch he confides) and the bear was supposed to go down and make like dead. Only the bear didn't understand Tony's version of German and instead of laying down started to charge Tony. That was the end of the bear act . . . almost the end of Tony.

FAN CLUBS

The Ray Gunkel Fan Club, President, Juanita Arnold, Box 251, Newark, Texas. Clark Cavanaugh Fan Club, President, Alice Karol, 1726 New Hampshire Ave., N. W., Washington, D. C. Lord Blears Fan Club, President, Dick Dimmick, Box 333, Route 1, Beaumont, California. Farmer Boy Townsend Fan Club, President, Dolores Budney, 88 Frizzell St., Toronto 6, Ontario, Canada.

POPULARITY POLL

Men

1. Dick Hutton
2. Lou Thesz
3. Pepper Gomez
4. Antonino Rocca
5. Dr. Jerry Graham
6. Billy Varga
7. Ray Gunkel
8. Johnny Valentine
9. Ricki Star
10. Mark Tendler

Women

1. Princess Moolah
2. Betsy Ross
3. Judy Grable
4. June Byers
5. Penny Banner
6. Nell Stewart
7. Mary Jane Mull
8. Alma Mills
9. Millie Stafford
10. Judy Glover

GLAMOROUS PEGGY KING

One of the most glamorous gals in the cauliflower and concussion profession and a real toughie in the ring is

gorgeous Peggy King, a curvacious lass from Reynoldsburg, Ohio, who has been in the mat profession for seven years.

The story behind Miss King's rise in the wrestling profession is fantastic due to the fact that eight years ago she weighed a ponderous 215 pounds. ,Peggy was chosen as a glamour girl on the mat with 140 pounds distributed over a well curved 5-foot 8-inch frame. Her measurements are 36-26-38.

During a West Coast stay in 1952 Peggy was chosen as a glamour girl on a network television show. She and two other ladies were selected from the audience and ask why they would want to become a glamour girl. Since wrestling is considered a man's game, Peggy expressed her opinion and after a four question quiz, walked off with top honors.

Getting back to her body weight of 215 pounds eight years ago, Miss King, working under a doctor's care, lost 28 pounds the first month and 12 pounds the second. The rest was easy.

The fantastic part of this story is the meeting between Peggy and her husband Hal Keen, a noted wrestler, who is her most ardent admirer, both in the ring and out. They have a beautiful two year old daughter.

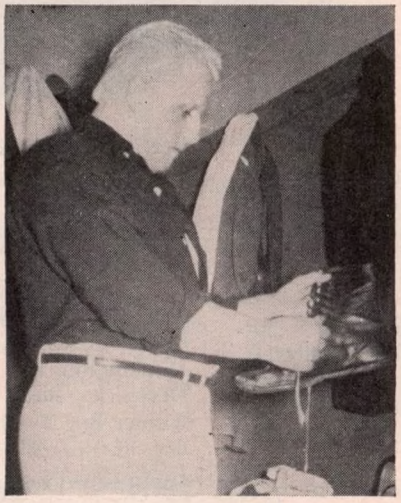
Their meeting occurred during a mixed tag match when Miss King's partner bought Hal over to her corner, placed his foot over the lower rope and told Peggy to jump on it. Jump she did. For the next two weeks Peggy made visits to the hospital to see her opponent who was to later become her husband. Hal says it was the best thing ever happened to him.

Peggy and Hal both enjoy the same forms of recreation. Dancing and swimming. They both strive for the same thing in wrestling. To make enough money to retire on, buy a little farm, go to wrestling shows, and raise their daughter to be a fine young lady!

MONTANA RETIRES

JOE "THE SHOOTER" MONTANA has officially retired from professional wrestling after engaging in the mat sport since 1930. Montana is still in excellent shape but his retirement is official after having had the perfunctory thousand matches and he was called "The Man Of The Thousand Holds" but his favorite shooting hold was the crooked head scissors taught to him by matman Claude Swindell.

Montana took lessons too and received instruction from Joe Stetcher, Charley Gripp and John Pesek in the nostalgic days gone by; in style Montana was a hooker and Joe was an exponent of the shooting match whether in the gym or in the arena before the public. The denizens of Omaha Nebraska have erected a statue in honor of the wholesome memory of Martin "Farme" Burns and a similar movement among Camden New Jersey wrestling fans is budding to have Camden or the State of New Jersey erect a similar bust or statue of their favorite.



Buddy Lee, top notch wrestler, who in addition to his own ring activities does the booking for a highly talented group of men and women grapplers.

Larry Chene, a five feet eleven inch 210 pounder, who has been inching his way toward the junior heavyweight crown and is now seriously challenging for the title.

SHORT ON RAY STEVENS

Ray Stevens is known as one of the most popular as well as roughest grapplers in the game.

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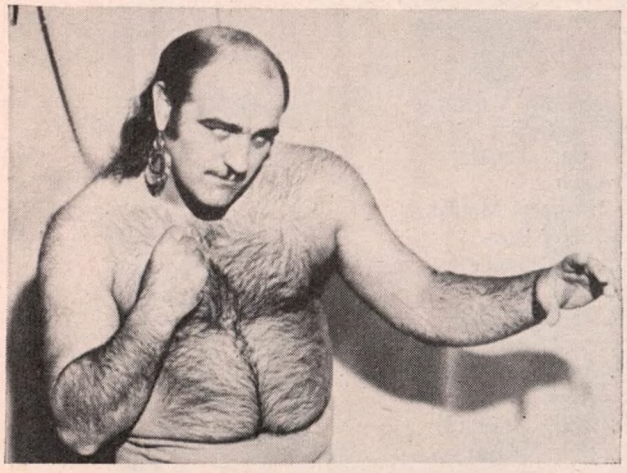
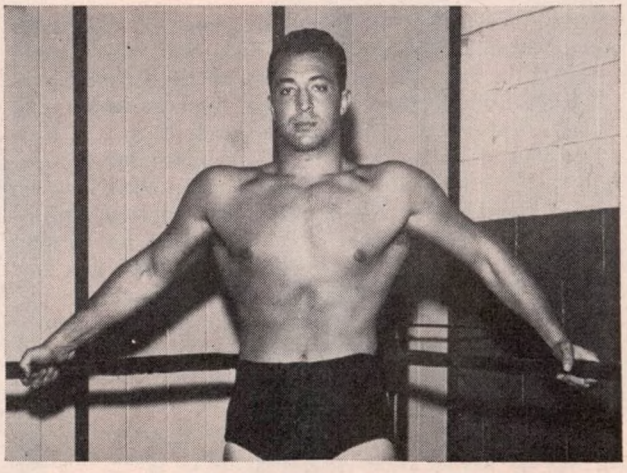


Gypsy Joe, world traveller, known as the vagabond of the wrestling world. Thought of as an unorthodox wrestler he has made up for this by action and suspense wherever he has appeared. He is loved by fans and feared by other wrestlers.



Mark Tendler, out of the U. S. Army and after a successful invasion of the Hawaiian Islands, is ready to make his bid for the big time. The "Prince Charming" of the mat world he is one of the fastest men in the mat sport. He's all action.

THE MAT WORLD

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Famed Columbus, Ohio, Promoter Al Haft, discovered Stevens after the latter had walked off with the Ohio State YMCA 165 pound title. Working in the gym with Frankie Talaber and Jackie Nichols, Stevens grasped every chance to gain knowledge from these two veterans of the mat.

Now weighing 215 pounds and standing 5-feet 11-inches in height, Ray has notched victories over the likes of Duke Keomuka, Professor Roy Shire, Nichols, Talaber, Bill Miller, Bull Montana and Edmund Francis.

For several months Ray did extra work in TV productions but found that this took up too much of his time. He let himself get out of shape and was slow on the mat. There was only one thing to do. Forget pictures and go back to his first love . . . wrestling.

Ray's style is strickly "Pier 6." Besides being a roughian he is also a speed merchant and an excellent dropkicker. He is married and has a daughter, Laura Lee, and a son, Roy, age four.

His hobbies are hunting and fishing and he is a good swimmer and diver. Ray prefers steaks and salads to keep in first class condition. (Don't we all?).

THE PACIFIC COAST
BY ED BRIGGS

Gene DuBuque, the strutting New Yorker and Mike Valentino of Malta, have captured the NWA World Heavyweight Tag Title from champions Ramon Tores of Mexico and California's Nickie Warren. The title switch took place in Fresno's Memorial Auditorium in California and was promoted by promoter-matchmaker Al Dermer. After a wild and bloody second fall, Torres was injured by head butts against the ring posts and Warren carried the third fall alone. He fell victim minutes later and the twosome lost their title.

The west coast is mighty pleased to have colorful Ronnie Etchison back among its coast arenas. Agile Ronnie, is always a pleasing wrestler. Etchison returned from a two year jaunt of Canadian and USA mat centers where he was well received.

Young Al Torres, the youngest of the Terres brothers combination of Al, Ramon, and Enrique, returned to coastal action in August. Al, a 25 year old matster, is vastly improved from his California matches of last year. He has a lot on the ball and is a real comer.

Johnny Swenski, lightning fast ex-junior heavyweight champion of the world, is doing well in the San Francisco area. Johnny, a matman who has seen much of the world via his wrestling trips abroad, recalled his recent New York visit with RING mat editor Nat Loubet. A well educated individual, pleasing Swenski is one of the few stars showing around the circuits nowadays that actually knows his wrestling from A to Z. He is planning a European trip next year.

Chatted with young Nick Bockwinkle of Los Angeles recently and the powerful son of the famed Warren Bockwinkle talked about his tour of duty with the US Army. Bockwinkle is stationed at Ford Ord, California, where he is a physical education instructor. Recently, Bock instituted a mat and boxing show for the troops at Fort Ord which is sponsored by the Soldier's Club. On a recent card, Nick faced wild Bud Curtis, pro heavyweight star from Indiana.

Nature Boy Buddy Rogers is set for a northern California tour. Buddy, Eastern USA heavy champion, is a wild but colorful performer. . . . Eddie (Rod) Rodriguez, the classy young San Antonio, Texas prospect, is reported to be doing well in his home state. . . . Stan Kowalski, Tiny Mills, and Johnny Barend are new arrivals in Hawaii. . . . Sandor Szabo is back in action in Los Angeles after a brief vacation. . . . Orchids to Pete Petersen, Frank Manfredo, Jack Kenyon and Art Williams who, along with Joe Benecasa are doing great refereeing jobs in northern California.

SOUTH CALIFORNIA NEWS

Hollywood, Calif.

Featuring two of the greatest showmen in pro. wrestling, Hardy Kruskamp of the Hollywood Legion matched Wild Red Berry against Ricki Starr of St. Louis, in the famous Hollywood Legion Stadium. Red, the Kansas City Sunflower, outran the former Ballet dancer for 20 minutes before being pinned in the one fall main. Claiming his feet were over the ropes, Red chased Ricki from the mat, down the aisle, and into the dressing room.

Undercard action saw Jesse James, Houston, Tex, fall victim to the elbow smashes of German Villain Fritz Von Goering, Tosh Togo, taking no back seat in meanness to his brother, the Great Togo, took the first and third fall's from Seymour Koenig, New York. The opener found Paul DeGalles, France, and Billy (Golden Boy) Darnell going 20 min. to a draw.

Olympic Auditorium, Los Angeles, Cal. Non-TV Billy Varga over Sandor Szabo DISQ., TV MAIN Fritz Von Goering over Joe Blanchard, Bob Nandor over Paul De Gales, Ricki Starr over Hardy Kruskamp, Jesse James vs. Lord Blears DRAW, Jim LaRock over Juan Hernadez, Wild Red Berry-Tosh Togo over Seymour Koenig-Herb Freeman.

HOLLYWOOD, CALIF. Paul DeGalles vs. Billy Darnell DRAW, Tosh Togo over Seymour Koenig, Fritz Von Goering over Jesse James, Ricki Starr over Wild Red Berry (1 fall main).

Six nights a week, somewhere in So. Cal., a wrestling card is being held. Along in the ring with the villian's Indians and Doctors is usually Mike Ruby, one of the most popular referees in the area. Mike, a good two hundred pounder, is quite willing to mix it with anyone who disregards his orders.

Mike was born in Washington, D. C. After graduation from College, he turned to wrestling. In 1946 he became a referee and ever since has been a boss man in every ring he has worked.

SHORT STORY ON LEAPIN' LARRY CHENE . . .
BY "TEXAS" BOB UTTER

Eight years ago this writer predicted that someday Leapin' Larry Chene would someday win the world's junior heavyweight championship. He is getting closer every day.

Chene, a 5-foot 11-inch, 210 pounder, was started in the mat fraternity by Bert Ruby and Lou Klien. This was back around 1947. At that time Larry was meeting such top notchers as Billy Fox, Bull Montana, Mike Angelo, Steve Nenoff; Steve Karras, Irish McGee and Red (Mr. Satan) Rocco.

For the past several months Chene has been working for Promoter Morris F. Sigel in Houston, Tex., before standing room crowds. There he has met the cream of the crop including the likes of Pepper Gomez, El Medico, Col. Stu Gibson, Bull Curry, Johnny Valentine, Ali Bey, Dick Steinborn and Rito Romero.

Chene and Gomez teamed to dethrone Valentine and Rip Rogers for the Texas State Tag Team Championship. They in turn lost to Duke Keomuka and Johnny (Foots) Tolos.

Chene picked-up his nickname, "Leapin' Larry," because of his great aerial work. He is one of the most agile men in the ring. Larry is also a great leg artist and is known for his flying leg sissors and drop kicking ability.

Promoter Morris Sigel has plenty of respect for Larry. Not long ago after watching Chene defeat Ali Bey, the popular South West promoter remarked, "Chene is as good as Rocca when it comes to leg wrestling and aerial work."

Making his home in Houston, Larry has one great ambition and that is to wear the global belt. He has draws with Danny McShain, Baron Leone and Wild Red Berry, the top three in the junior heavyweight division.

Chene and his charming wife have three lovely daughters and a handsome

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RIGHT FROM MEXICO CITY
By Selsso Tiborro

Local promoter Senor Miguel de la Colina staged five international matches during the month of August and although results varied as to class the outlook undoubtedly is improving.

▶ U. S. Willie Morton, 143, decisioned Alvaro Gutierrez, 144, in ten. Luis Trejo, 126, decisioned U. S. Bobby Gray, 125, in ten. Sardito Guerra, 118, and Angel Coronado, 118, drew in eight. Daniel Silva, 125, decisioned Bernardo Mendez, 126, in six. Carlos Tolentino, 117, decisioned Luis Sansores, 118, in four.

▶ Saul Becerril, 112, and Ray Ruiz, 112, drew in ten good rounds. Tony Smith, 134, decisioned Negro Cardenas, 135, in eight. Juan Leyva, 133, decisioned Ruben Cadena, 138, in eight. Fidel Alfaro, 112, stopped Roman Rodriguez, 111, in four. Martin Rebollo, 125, decisioned Yoyo Trejo, 127, in four.

▶ Eduardo Guerrero, 119, stopped Cuban Huesitos Gonzaez, 120, in seven. Enrique Castillo, 129, stopped Manuel Jimenez, 128, in nine. Cosme Maldonado, 132, stopped Eduardo Almazan, 136, in seven. Tony Sanchez, 126, decisioned Roberto Wong, 124, in six. Frankie Jimenez, 111, stopped Santos Gutierrez, 111, in four.

▶ Bobby Cervantes, 126, was given the decision over U. S. Bobby Gray, 126, by disqualification in the tenth and last round of their match. Chebo Vazquez, 126, decisioned Fernando Gomez, 126, in eight. Fidel Alfaro, 118, stopped Mosco Vargas, 118, in two. Roberto Gonzalez, 135, decisioned Memin Garcia, 134, in six. Pedro Rodriguez, 118, decisioned Xochimilca Jimenez, 118, in four.

▶ Ernesto Figueroa, 130, decisioned national featherweight king Victor Manuel Quijano, 130, in ten. Gabriel Navarro, 130, decisioned Roy Hernandez, 130, in ten. Tony Smith, 135, stopped Manuel Luna, 135, in two. Pollo Vargas, 118, decisioned Guillermo Santillan, 118, in six. Chucho Rico, 118, decisioned Nicolas Zamora, 118, in four.

▶ Chiquis Rosales, 116, decisioned Guillermo Gonzalez, 119, in ten. Chilo Barranco, 128, decisioned Nacho Dominguez, 127, in eight. Max Huerta, 119, stopped Memo Balderas, 120, in six. Baby Marciano, 147, stopped Remigio Calderon, 147, in five. Mariano Cisneros, 116, decisioned Raul del Olmo, 119, in four.

▶ Mauro Vazquez, 133, decisioned U. S. Billy Walker, 130, in ten. Carlos Arregui, 136, decisioned Beto Gonzalez, 135, in ten. Pinchon Reyes, 145, stopped Jesus Moreno, 149, in three. Victor Adame, 124, decisioned Cisco Kid, 126, in six, but the verdict was not a popular one. Babe Sanchez, 125, decisioned Gil Rivera, 127, in four.

OBREGON BOXING
By E. Campillo

OBREGON: ALFONSO FLORES, 163, NATIONAL MIDDLEWEIGHT champion, won a ten round decision from Kid Zacatecas, 161.

Lucio "Borrachito" Gonzalez, 130, knocked out Jorge Chavez, 128, in the second round. Eduardo Larranga, 125, won a six round decision over Roberto Ortiz, 130. Antonio Gutierrez, 118, bested Picho Urbalejo, 117, in four. Chamaco Rubio, 100, keyoed Manuel Bueno, 102, in the first.

▶ Joe Arias, 119, kayoed Juancito Lopez, 116, in the fifth round of the main event at Obregon.

Lucio "Borrachito" Gonzalez, 128, scored another knockout, halting Joel Marquez, 128, in the sixth. Marquez was ropped twice in the fifth.

Lucio Flores, 118, kayoed Pimpollo Morales, 123, in the third round. Raton Burgueno, 96, and Willie Macias, 96, drew in four. Charrito Kid, 93½, decisioned Jose Villa, 93½, in four.

▶ Rudy Corona, 118, won a thrilling ten round fight over Pimi Barajas, 120, at Obregon. Barajas was dropped in the eighth round.

Lucio "Borrachito" Gonzales, 134, lost a ten round decision to Genaro Zerafin, 128.

Manny Linson, 123, kayoed Roberto Ortiz, 123, in the third. Florentino Caro, 118, was knocked out by Jesus Garcia, 113, in two. Fili Gomez, 120, kayoed Jesus Ontivero, 116, in three.

Hermosillo: In a thrilling fight, bantamweight Joe Arias drew with Jorge "Pulga" Herrera in ten rounds.

Camilo Flores kayoed Ray Contreras in the eighth round of a welterweight bout. Arnoldo Gil, 142, kayoed Enrique Esqueda, 142, in the ninth round.

Tony Corrales, 131, kayoed Relampago Rosas, 129, in the third round.

Manny Linson, 120, kayoed Juancito Lopez, 117, in the seventh round. Bobby Saroni, 126, decisioned Dandy Esquer, 127, in six rounds. Rodrigo Villa, 129, outpointed Frankie Villegas, 125, in four rounds.

▶ Rudy Corona, 117, kayoed Danny Medrano, 112, in the seventh round at Obregon.

Tony Meza, 127, decisioned Luis "Negro" Garcia, 125, in a ten rounder. Manny Linson, 120, won all eight rounds in gaining a decision over Bobby Saroni, 125.

Antonio Gutierrez, 125, won over "Chacara" Kid, 121. Frankie Silva, 115, the Villa Juarez Tiger, halted Kid Duranguito in three.

BOXING IN JUAREZ
By Manuel Prieto

JUAREZ BULL RING—Ray Terrazas, 143½, El Paso, was awarded an unpopular decision over David Cervantes, 144, Mexico City, now fighting out of Juarez. The fans booed the verdict.

Gilberto Holguin, 144½, El Paso, won by a K.O. over veteran Manuel "Toro" Rocha, 140, Zacatecas, in the seventh.

Al Melendez, 136½, Juarez, a promising boy, won over Marcelino Vargas, 136, El Paso, in a good six round fight.

In the fours, **Fidel Banuelos, 123, Tijuana,** and Cosme Rodriguez, 124, Juarez, draw. Ricardo Lara, 123, El Paso, won by a K.O. over Mario Ibarra, 117, Torreon in two.

▶ MONUMENTAL BULL RING — Alfredo Nevarez, 134½, Juarez, scored a unanimous decision over George Berry, 133½, Gary, Indiana, before 5,000 fans at the huge new Bull Ring.

The left hand of Nevarez, the best weapon of the Juarez boy, worked all night over Berry and found the target often.

Hilario Correa, 110, San Luis Potosi, scored his second pro win this time over veteran Ramon Sosa, 113, Juarez, in six.

Al Melendez, 136, Juarez, scored a sensational K.O. victory over Francisco Santillan, 134, Juarez, in the second round. Melendez floored Santillan twice.

Juan Valles, 136, Juarez, showing better form won over Oscar Tinoco, 135, Juarez, decision in four rounds. Pastor Valdez, 126½, Juarez, won decision over young Emilio Medina, 124, Juarez in a furious four rounder.

▶ JUAREZ BULL RING—L. C. Morgan, 138, Youngstown, scored a stunning K.O. victory over Armando Muniz, 141½, Juarez, in the second round.

Morgan floored Muniz with a left hook for an eight seconds count before a flury of rights and lefts put him out.

Henry Gutierrez, 145, Deming, N. M., won by K.O. in the second round over Raul Anchondo, 142, Chihuahua City, in the six round semi-final event.

Fidel Banuelos, 120, Tijuana, won decision over Nacho Paredes, 119, Mexico City, in six good rounds.

Pete Ruiz, 145, El Paso, scored a decision over Henry Cardenas, 139, Juarez, in four. Ricardo Lara, 124, El Paso, won by T.K.O. in four over Benny Moreno, 121, Juarez.

LA LAGUNA AND THE MEXICAN PROVINCE
By Miguel Ramirez Aznar

During the month we had three boxing shows. And all of them under the promotion of Manuel Mateos and Mel Dipp at their Arena "Olimpica" of Gomez Palacio, a little town of 50,000, just across the Nazas River, about 2 miles from Torreon, which is the Big City in La Laguna territory.

▶ Claudio Adame, 126, handled lightweight champion Fidel Lucero of La Laguna the way he pleased during 12 rounds. At the end of the bout, officials declared Adame the victor and the new Champ. Lucero, who visited the canvas in the second for a 5-second count, weighed 134.

In the 10-round semi, Antonio "Zorrito" Ramirez, 132, bested Raul Anchondo, 132, after flooring him in the seventh for a short count. New comer Jorge Gonzalez, 123, bolted Pedro Rodriguez, 126, in four. Carlos Rios, 128, outscored Gerardo Iñiguez, 132, in six and Salvador Guerrero, 117, did the same with Jaime Macias, 115, in the 4-round preliminary.

▶ Jose "Generalito" Galvan, 117, pressed down in the last 4 rounds to get a very split duke over Gregorio "Goyo" Flores, 115, after ten hard and fast rounds. Facundo Martinez, 124, took revenge on Cain Rogero, 126, by KO'ing him in four rounds. In another tenner, Luis Gonzalez, 109, defeated Pablo Barrios, 111, to justify the honor that RING granted him when he was designated the best prospect of the month in the flyweight class. Two 4-rounders completed the program: Gerardo Iñiguez, 131, outpointed Indio Mares, 133, and veteran Lucio Polina Hidalgo, 122, stopped Joe Gonalez, 119, in two.

▶ Antonia "Zorrito" Ramirez, 133, had to sweat a lot to carry off a decision over Chucho Mejia, 132, after ten rough rolls. Mejia, a slow starter, did his best during the last 2 rounds, but it was too late.

Facundo Martinez, 120, bested Jose "Generalito" Galvan, 118, in the 10-round semi-final. A fast one in a fact. Jorge Gonzalez, 123, had to work very hard to get the duke over veteran Sammy Andrade, 126, after 8 rounds. Miguel Orona, 126, one of the fine kids produced by our amateur tournaments, started as a pro decisioning Carlos Rios, 123, in six rounds. In the four rounder, Manuel Favela, 132, bested Pedro Castañeda, also a 132 pounder.

▶ MAZATLAN:—Rafael Apodaca, 125, won by disqualification over Angel Aguilar, 126, in the eighth round. Manny Yamaciro, 145, iced Carmona Luna, 145, in the fifth.

▶ HERMOSILLO:—Camilo Flores, 140, stopped Eddie Rivera, 141, in five rounds. Hector "Chango" Ceballos, 121, embalmed Tony Beltran, 123, in only two rounds.

▶ GUADALAJARA:—Bernabe "Babe" Vazquez, 133, National lighweight champ, easily decisioned Joe Nathan Shaw, 132, in ten rounds. Carlos Arregui, 136, halted Reyes Lopez, 132, in six rounds.

▶ MONTERREY:—Universitario Cantu, 140, started as a welter, gave good account of himself. He put the red light to David Cervantes, 145, in the sixth. A real triumph, we say. Cervantes, has a victory over topnotcher Indio Ortega. Rafael Camacho, 132, bested David Camacho, 131, in the 10-round semi.

▶ ACAPULCO: — Jose Lomeli, 119, nailed Marcelo Gonzalez, 119, in seven. Gustavo Sosa, 118, defeated Enrique Moreno, 119, in eight rounds.

▶ CUERNAVACA:—Juan Ramirez, 125, a clever boy, outscored Luis Estrada, 124, after ten well fought rounds.

▶ MAZATLAN:—Kid Terranova, 126, hard hitter from Mexico City, was too rough for brave Cain Rogero, 125, who sunk down in the sixth for a 10-second sleep.

▶ CULIACAN:—Gil Nolasco, 125, demolished Agustin Ordorica, 126, in five rounds.

▶ HERMOSILLO:—Joey Arias, 124, put Danny Medrano, 120, to sleep in eight rounds. Tony Estrada, 134, nailed Ernie Lopez, 133, in the fifth.

▶ MATAMOROS: — Ubaldo Ramirez, 136, working hard, took the duke over tough, rough and "cute" Fidel Hernandez, 138, after ten sweating rounds. Rudy Gonzalez, 148, ironed Zurdo Constantine, 150, in the fifth.

▶ AGUA PRIETA:—Baby Galindo, 147, the Sonora newcomer, tumbled down Cowboy Aguilar, 148, in six rounds.

▶ PUEBLA:—Gustavo Sosa, 118, scored a very good triumph, when he defeated Gallito Segundo, 116, in ten rounds. Rudy Sanchez, 125, nailed Sergio Contreras, 124, in four. Mario Aguilar, 117, bested Juan Sanchez, 118, in six rounds.

▶ CUERNAVACA:—Raton Vargas, 121, surpassed Emilio Olivares, 122, in ten. Kid Sandoval, 130, did the same with Zurdo de Metzicaltzingo, 127, in eight rounds.

▶ PACHUCA: — Argentinito Lopes, 133, Guatemala C. A., started his Mexican campaign, kayoing Adolfo Olguin, 132, in seven rounds. Pancho Iglesias, 148, defeated Luis Zuniga, 144, in eight rounds.

▶ CULIACAN: — Arnulfo Palomares, 122, handled Chicho Alvarez, 125, during ten rounds to get a clear decision triumph.

▶ SAN LUIS POTOSI:—Juan Sanchez, 127, bested Sonora's globe-trotter Jesus "Chuy" Waldo, 129, in ten rounds. Freddie Guzman, 126, halted Rigoberto Puebla, 127, in the last round of their scheduled tener.

▶ MONTERREY:—Raul Leanos, 117, the southpaw brother of Old Jaun, was too clever and fast for Chiquis Rosales, 117, and he got the ten round duke.

▶ GUAYMAS:—Genaro Serafin, 129, the former Mexico City topnotcher, was too wise for young Tony Corrales, 124, and the veteran easily took the decision after 10 rounds. Willie Black, 125, bested Brave Rosas, 123, in the other tener.

▶ SAN LUIS RIO COLORADO:—Here comes the Red Devil again! Miguel Berrios, 124, Porto Rico, once a great name among the feathers of the whole world, started his comeback in this little border town, demolishing Grillo Aguilar, 121, in only four

rounds. Caracol Hernandez, 130, nailed Chato Encinas, 132, in the third round.

▶TEZIUTLAN:—Jose "Memo" Diez, 124, not long ago a great name among the flyweights, was humiliated very badly by young Pedro Rocha, 126, in ten rounds.

▶TIJUANA:—Nacho Escalante, 116, the little Pinguino from Carmen Island, scored his most valuable triumph when he used only five rounds to kayo Johnny Ortega, 115, San Francisco. Felipe Payan, 128, bested Al Flores, 125, in the 10-round semi-final.

▶HERMOSILLO:—Joey Arias, 121, bested Tony Meza, 122, in ten. Danny Medrano, 119, did the same with Francisco "Torito" Hernandez, 118, also in ten. Hector "Chango" Ceballos, 121, halted Tony Portilla, 119, in the 5th.

▶CUERNAVACA:—Southpaw Juanito Martinez, 133, put the red light to washed off veteran Adrian "Bom Bom" Kiriz, 129, in the last round of their scheduled tener. Chucho Picazo, 125, bested Tony Arizmendi, 124, in ten. Chucho Rico, 117, nailed Miguel Diaz, 116, in the second.

▶MONTERREY:—Roque Fernandez, 118, the oldest brother of the famous clan named "The Fernandez of Peralvillo", put the red light to newcomer Tony Martinez, 119, in nine rounds. Silvestre Villarreal, 134, stopped Vicente "Pichon" Ramirez, 132, in two rounds. This Silvestre kid must have something. . . to knockout Pichon, a real cute, in only a few minutes, means good possibilities in boxing.

▶SAN LUIS POTOSI:—Americo Rivera, 129, demolished Joe Galindo, 126, in three rounds. Cubanito Torres, 119, did the same thing with Sergio Becerril, 121, in seven rounds.

▶MAZATLAN:—Alberto Soto, 128, upset favorite Ricardo Manzanillo Jr., 125, in ten rounds.

▶ACAPULCO:—Juan Ramirez, 126, put Marcelino Gomez, 124, to sleep in four rounds. Pollerro Garcia, 118, bested Pascual Perez, 117, in eight.

▶MATAMOROS:—Hilario Morales, 128, the sensational "Toco", iced David Camacho, 134, in only three rounds.

▶VALLE HERMOSO:—Baby Martinez, 121, smoothed "Trucutu" Velazquez, 128, in the seventh. Nickname collectors have something for the album: Trucutu means in Spanish Alley Hoop, the guy of the comics.

▶VILLA JUAREZ:—Pichon Reyes, 148, hard favorite, was held to a draw by unknown Tigre de Tenechaco, after ten rounds.

▶REYNOSA:—The frontier Tornado, Rafael "Battling" Torres, 128, murdered veteran Cesar "Chino" Saavedra, 131, in only four rounds. Babe Zarate, 124, bested Guero DeLeon, 120, in the ten round semi-final.

▶PACHUCA:—Here is the Guatemala, C. A., boy working his way to glory again! Argentinito Lopez, 132, found the way to demolish Muralla Herrera, 130, in six rounds to score his second triumph in Mexico.

▶CUERNAVACA:—David Perez, 147, kayoed Eduardo Lozano, 149, in three rounds. Cuervo Salinas, 114, bested Aztequita Morelense, 116, in eight.

▶MONTERREY:—Carlos Cardoso, 117, the Golden Hawk, son of glorious Enrique Cardoso, gave to Monterrey fans the best fight of the year. The boy, looking great, decisioned Joe Medel, 116, after ten fast rounds.

▶ACAPULCO:—Adrian Rojas, 119, and Tibico Torres, 118, drew after ten furious rounds. Martin Ortiz, 117, embalmed Manuel Rivas, 120, in three.

▶CULIACAN:—Roberto "Culichi" Uriarte, 126, decisioned Kid Terranova, 125, in ten. The defeated visited the canvas in the sixth.

▶**COLIMA**:—Chato Sosa, 118, upset Chiquilin Torres, 116, in ten.

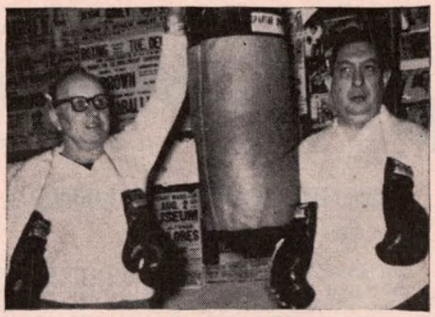
▶AGUA PRIETA:—Another upset! Biteguis Kid, 150, very well known in his own house, took topnoteher Pinky Peralta, 154, to a draw.

▶SABINAS:—8,000 fans packed the Bullfight Plaza to see famous Bird! Well, they saw him allright. . . for 2 minutes and 45 seconds to be exact. Ricardo "Pajarito" Moreno, 128, sunk down a poor man Rocky Fontnette, 127, in a bit of the first ronud. In the scheduled 10-round semi, Beto Carbajal, 133, iced Benny Rodriguez, 137, in seven.

▶HERMOSILLO:—Miguel Berrios, 125, the Porto Rico's Red Devil, looking in good shape, stopped busy veteran Jorge "Pulga" Herrera, 120, in five rounds, after flooring him twice. Hector "Chango" Ceballos, 124, used one round to send "Chango" Parra, 125, to sleep for keeps. "Chango" means monkey in English. So, you had the monkey fight of the season.

▶CUERNAVACA:—Arnulfo Palomares, 122, bolted Marcelino Gomez, 125,, in six. Victor Garcia, 124, stopped Luis Garcia, 124, in three rounds.

▶CULIACAN:—Ignacio "Zurdo" Pina, 115, stopped Joey Augustin, 118, in six rounds. Sergio Gomez, 130, did the same thing with Caracol Hernandez, 132, in the seventh.



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BOXING IN ARGENTINA

By Simon Bronenberg and Alfredo Porzio

BERAZATEGUI.—IN THE "LIBERTAD" RING OF THIS CITY. Rique Castro, welter, won by a T. K. O. in 9th over Esteban Cepeda.

▶CORDOBA.—The Argentine lightweight champion Jaime Gine, kayoed Tramsito Villagra in six.

▶LA PLATA.—Alfonso Moreno veteran welterweight, lost on points in 10 to Arturo Gonzalez.

▶SANTA FE.—Lightweight Americo Bonetti, champion of this city, lost in 10 rounds to Martin Perez.

▶CORDOBA.—The Argentine "Challenger" in the feather division, Raul Vargas, of Mendoza, won in 10 rounds over Humberto Nova, a good local prospect.

▶BAHIA BLANCA.—In the ring of "Palacio de los Deportes" middleweight, Oscar Rojas won the 10 rounds decision over Cesar Pereyra.

▶BAHIA BLANCA.—In a hard bout for the lightweight title of this city, Antonio Murano won in 10 rounds over Hector Quijada.

▶CORDOBA.—The new and good prospect in the middle divison, undefeated Farid Salim, won by a T.K.O. in 3 over Ambrosio Gomez and on the same card, Angel Ahumada, welter, won the decision in 10 rounds over Alfonso Moreno.

▶ROSARIO.—The hard puncher and good prospect in the welter division, undefeated Miguel Angel Aguero, won by a knockout in the sixth round over Pedro Almagro.

▶PERGAMINO.—The Panamebian-Argentine welterweight, Fredrick Thompson, won the decision in 10 rounds over Alberto Billaflor.

▶MAR DEL PLATA.—Ubaldo Sacco, a good prospect in the middle division, won the decision in 10 rounds over Cesar Pereyra.

▶BUENOS AIRES.—Luna Park reassumed its activity after thirty days with the long expected bout between Fred Galiana of Spain and Nestor Savino. 20,000 persons were present. Despite the fact that Savino completely outpointed the ex-European featherweight champion, the unanimous verdict was awarded to Galiana. A riot started immediately and policemen and firemen were called into the arena to restore order. In our opinion, Savino was easily the winner.

▶BUENOS AIRES.—In the "Luna Park" ring, flyweight, Carlos Rodriguez won by a T.K.O. over Julio "Pulgarcito" Buggioni in the 7th round; Ramon Paz drew in ten rounds with Ramon Caceres; I disagreed with the verdict. In the flyweight division, undefeated Horacio Accavallo won by a T.K.O. in nine rounds over Ricardo Valdez.

▶ROSARIO.—Ex-feather champion of Argentina, Alfredo Bunetta, won in 10 rounds on points over Juan Ramallo.

▶SANTA FE.—Jorge J. Fernandez, Argentina's number one welter, kayoed Enrique Mansilla in the second round.

▶**BAHIA BLANCA.**—Abel Vargas lost in 10 rounds to Manuel Seran, in the "welter" division.

▶LA PLATA.—Undefeated lightweight Osvaido Canete, kayoed Omar Vivanco in the ring of "Atenas" Club in the third round.

▶SANTIAGO DE CHILE.—The Argentine and South American middleweight champion, Andres Selpa, twice winner over Eduardo Lausse, lost in 10 rounds to Humberto Loayza, middle and light heavyweight champion of Chile in a nontitle bout.

▶BUENOS AIRES.—The Argentine and South American champion in the feather division, Ricardo Gonzalez (Genzalito), drew in 10 rounds with the feather champion of Spain, Manolo Garcia, on a split decision.

BOXING IN URUGUAY
By Mario Laplume

PLATENSE STADIUM: JUAN C. GOMEZ (URUG. 66K400) KAYOED RAFAEL DIAZ (Arg. 66k700) in 4. Hector Suarez (Urug. 57k200) kayoed Mario Lavaquiere (Arg. 58k500) in 5. Julio Perez (Urug. 62k900) kayoed Juan C. Gonzalez (Arg. 62k900) in 2. Santos Pereyra (Urug. 62 kls.) kayoed Wenceslao Rodriguez (Arg. 62k600) in 2.

▶ Palacio Penarol: Ramon Torena (Urug. 62 k.) drew with Carlos Strada (Arg. 56 k.) in 6. Jupiter Mansilla (Urug. 52 k.) kayoed Emilio Avila (Arg. 53 k.) in 4. J. C. Comini (Urug. 8k0400) kayoed Roberto del Blanco (Arg. 82k800) in 2. Juan B. Burgess (Urug. 80k500) decisioned Antonio Diaz (Arg. 78k200) in 10.

▶ Palacio Penarol: Ruben Villar (Urug. 60 k.) decisioned Hector D'Elia (Arg. 59k600) in 4. Hector Monasterio (Arg. 67k900) kayoed Ronaldo Blazquez (Arg. 54k400) in 3. Jorge Peralta (Urug. 66k300) decisioned Hugo Rivera (Arg. 67k700) in 10. Eulogio ("Siki") Caballero (Urug. 60k900) decisioned Angel Olivieri (Arg. 61k200) in 10.

▶ Palacio Penarol: Walter Garin (Urug. 57k400) drew with Carlos Perez (Arg. 58 k.) in 6. Hector Monasterio (Arg. 67k300) drew with Ramon Gonzalez (Arg. 72k400) in 6. Antonio de Britos (Urug. 62k700) kayoed Leandro Acumada (Arg. 62k500) in 4. Juan C. Ducay (Arg. 66 k.) avenged his lone defeat by kayoing Ramon Vargas (Arg. 67 ks.) in 6.

▶ Platense Stadium: Rogelio Machado (63k500) kayoed Genaro Carrizo (Arg. 63k500) in 2. Luis Averastudis (67k400) decisioned Pablo Salinas (Arg. 64k500) in 6. Urbieta Sosa (Arg. 52k400) kayoed Antonio Gomez (Arg. 51k600) in 8. Ruben Caceres (56k900) kayoed Juan Bishop (Arg. 56k900) in 9.

▶ Palacio Penarol: Quintino Soares (Portuguese 62 k.) drew with Sebastian Gonzalez (Arg. 60k700) in 4. Hector Olivo (Arg. 58 k.) decisioned Roberto Rebollo (Urug. 58k800) in 6. Gregorio Peralta (Arg. 79 k.) kayoed Marcelino Farias (Arg. 77 k.) in 2. Antonio Repollo (Arg. 61 k.) kayoed Felipe Fuentes (Urug. 61k400) in 5.

▶ Palacio Penarol: Ruben Villar (Urug. 61k300) drew with Alfonso Gomez (Arg. 63k900) in 4. Isaias Verdun (Urug. 57 k.) kayoed Simon Rios (Arg. 56 k.) in 1. Amaro Acosta (Urug. 60k600) kayoed Hector Miranda (Arg. 60k700) in 2. Luis A. Magarinos (Urug. 66k500) drew with Silvio Frias (Arg. 67k400) in 10.

▶ Platense Stadium: Jorge Moreyra (Urug. 72k400) kayoed Jose Fereyro (Arg. 71k800) in 2. Carlos Capella (Arg. 60k700) kayoed Hugo Sedano (Arg. 60k500) in 6. Julio Perez (Urug. 64k200) kayoed Roberto Arturo (Arg. 67k300) in 7. Waldemiro "Hurricane" Torres (Urug. 51k600) drew with Eugenio Montorfano (Paraguayan 51k700) in 10.

▶ Palacio Penarol: Santos Molina (Arg. 59k300) drew with Horacio Quiroga (Arg. 59k900) in 6. Hector Oliva (Arg. 57k700) decisioned Luis A. Suarez (Urug. 60k500) in 6. Rolando Caballero (Arg. 61k300) decisioned Luis A. Rodriguez (Urug. 60k600) in 10. Juan C. "Rocky" Rivero (Arg. 72k100) kayoed Carlos Piriz Pintado (Urug. 72 k.) in 5, and although Piriz Pintado made a very gallant effort there is no doubt as to whom is the best one, after this rematch.

BOXING IN PANAMA
By Juan W. Copeland

AT THE PANAMA NATIONAL GYM, IN A TORRES BROTHERS promotion, Rodolfo Francis, 130, won a split decision over Enrique Perea, 130, in a ten rounder.

Roy Thoyke, 120½, won a six round decision from Serafin Garcia, 120½. Rafael (Toro) Brathwaite, 132, halted Valentin Brown, 133½, in the second round. Jose Perez, 123, kayoed Salvador Molina, 122, in three.

▶ At the Arena Colon, in a Louis Craig promotion, Edwin Sykes, 122, our bantamweight champion, won a dull ten rounder from Charlie DeBow, 122, of New York City.

Hector Hicks stopped Ernesto Campbell in the fifth round of a bantamweight fight. Fenley Hooker was stopped in the fourth round by Assesino Allen. He was cut over both eyes. They are lightweights.

David Wright halted Panama Castillo, who failed to come out for the third round of their featherweight bout.

AT THE ARENA, COLON, PROMOTER LIN-DUNCAN OFFERED a night of boxing which featured Jesus Santamaria, 127, Panama's featherweight champion, and Roberto (Trompa) Murillo, 127, Santamaria punching too fast and stopping his man in the eighth round. Murillo's seconds threw in the towel.

Roberto (Tito) Marshall, 126¾, lost an eight round decision to Jorge Quintero, 131. Hector Hicks, 123, kayoed Jose Felix, 124½, in the second round.

Jose Perez won a four rounder from Roderick McKay.

CONNECTICUT RING NEWS
By Sal Giacobbe

BRISTOL: BRISTOL'S FIRST OUTDOOR BOXING SHOW IN YEARS featured two of Connecticut's outstanding boxers in two ten round bouts, Frank Keating and Chico Vejar. Keating, 158, winner of five straight bouts since his return from the service, was fighting his first ten round bout, which turned out to be the best bout of the evening. His opponent, Freddie Wilson 155, of Harlem, was in there pitching all night. The crowd liked the give and take fight, which was action packed all the way.

In the accompanying co-feature Chico Vejar, 158, Stamford, scored a five round TKO over Charlie Washington, 155, Portland, Maine. In a scheduled 6 rounder, Al King, 137, Bristol scored a third round, clean kayo over Juan Hernandez, 140, Puerto Rico.

Bill Daly's newest protege, making his fistic debut, Nino Parrino, 182, St. Louis, Mo., looked impressive in knocking out Henry Taylor, 176, Philadelphia, in 1:05 of the first.

▶ Milford: With 666 fans paying a gross of $1,199.50, the Milford Lodge of Elks sponsored a slam bang boxing show, with veteran George Russo as the matchmaker. In the 10 round feature bout, Freddie Wilson, 155, Harlem, substituted for Frank Keating of Wallingford, who could not fulfill his contract because of the cuts sustained in Bristol. Joe Lissy, 155, New York, the other half of the main go, had other ideas and scored a seven round TKO after having Wilson in bad shape for the previous two rounds. Wilson started out strong, but faded under Lissy's endless and savage attack. In a very good and crowd appealing bout, Al Milone, 155, Brooklyn, N. Y., scored a hard earned victory over Joe Walcott, 158, Bridgeport.

▶ Thompsonville returned to the Connecticut fistic picture with an outdoor boxing show under the sponsorship of The Washington Irving Council of the Knights of Columbus. Vito Tallarita, long time local matchmaker, was in charge. Tallarita brought in three former World's Champions to referee the undercard, Louis "Kid" Kaplan, Gus Lesnevich and James J. Braddock.

In the feature event of ten rounds, Charley Powell of San Diego, Calif., former pro football player, now boxing in the east under the apparent helm of Joe Villa, was matched against Lee Jones of Philadelphia was a willing opponent who gave it his all, but was no match for the heavier Powell, 215. The slugging Powell punched his opponent into submission in 45 seconds of the second round with an attack to the body and a beautiful right cross on the jaw.

In the six round semi-final, a local boy, Paul Rossi, 170, had no touble in disposing of Sherman Dodd, 171, of Boston, in 2:45 of the second round.

1,500 fans paid in a gross of little over $2,500. The Knights were so pleased with this undertaking that they announced they will make this an annual event. Maybe if we could get more organizations to sponsor boxing shows throughout the state, we could help bring boxing back to a more productive level.

IN OLD NEW ENGLAND
By Don Hamill

FALL RIVER STADIUM — GEORGE ARAUJO, 138½, PROVIDENCE, RETURNED to the ring wars after a three year absence with a split dceision over rugged Pat McCoy, 135, Galway, Ireland, in ten rounds. Araujo showed plenty of ring rust and had a stiff battle on his hands from the little Irishman. McCoy scored the only knockdown of the fight in the fifth round with a left to the jaw. The decision was not too well received.

Jimmy Monts, 162, Hartford, took the decision in the six round semi-final from Bob Young, 174, Providence. Tommy Garrow, 137, Claremont, N. H., continued on his winning ways by stopping Don Mann, 133, Woonsocket, R. I., in the fourth round of another six. Ronnie Blackman, 134, Brooklyn, outpointed Al Duarte, 140, New Bedford, in a third sixer. Bob Cofer, 150, Philadelphia, stopped Art Holliday, 155, Hartford, in the first round of the opener.

▶ NORWOOD Arena—Jackson Brown, 155½, Dorchester, lifted the New England middleweight crown from the brow of Barry Allison, 150, Springfield, by virtue of a split ten round decision. The pair had staged a hectic battle with Allison enjoying a slight lead as they went into the final round because of his sharper punching. Brown put on a concerted rally in the tenth heat and floored Allison with a barrage. Allison arose immediately but the knockdown was the margin of victory.

Willie Johnson, 145, Newark, N. J., ruined the comeback of Eddie Connors, 146, Sharon, Mass., when he stopped the latter in the ninth round of the ten round co-feature. Tom McNeeley, 201, Arlington, Mass., halted Bob Harris, 189, Brooklyn, in the fifth round of a six spot. Leo Carey, 151½, Woburn, needed two rounds to dispose of Jackie Connolly, 159, South Boston.

▶ PRESQUE ISLE Fair Grounds—Wily Willie Pep, 131, Hartford, pitched another shutout. His victim this time was aggressive Lou "Pancho" Carmona, 130½, Puerto Rico. Pep won handily as he cleverly eluded Carmona's attack and countered with sharp well placed blows.

Clarence "Bomber" Jackson, 138, Loring AFB, scored a knockdown in the sixth round to take the dicision over Aime Morin, 136, Lewiston, in the eight round semi-windup. Bolo Beaulieu, 167, Edmundton, N. B., won a decision over Gordon Farnsworth, 168, Bangor, in an action packed six rounder.

▶ NORTH ADAMS—Glover's Bowl—Former footballer, Charley Powell, 211, San Diego, Calif., used his superior power to stop Sam Edwards, 190, New York, in the sixth round of their ten spot. Powell pressed the attack while Edwards was content to counterpunch. In the sixth a left to the head and a right to the body floored Edwards. He arose but was unable to protect himself. Referee Billy Lieberman wisely called a halt.

Johnny Bean, 132, New York, spoiled the undefeated record of Tommy Garrow, 137, Claremont, when a cut over the left eye forced Garrow out in the fifth. Kid Chick, 122, Southwick, finished Jackie Lyons, 124, Boston, in the final round of a four. Johnny Bradley, 144, New York, decisioned Jimmy O'Malley, 144, Boston, over the four round route. In the opener, Joe Barboza, 167, East Boston, stopped Frank Harold, 164, New York, in the third round.

▶ FALL RIVER Stadium—Irish Pat McCoy, 139, Galway, Ireland, waged a relentless battle against lanky Johnny Juliano, 135, Hartford, to take an easy ten round decision. The aggressive McCoy swarmed over his taller foe who was unable to stave him off successfully.

Tom McNeeley, 203, Arlington, racked up another kayo win when he belted out Temple Jones, 186, Englewood, N. J., in the third round of the slated six round semi-final. Goldie Gomes and Kenny Stokes of Boston and Roxbury, respectively, were given the heave-ho by Referee Joe Zapustas who disqualified them in the second round for not trying. The bout was called "No Contest". They both scaled 162. Joe Barboza, 166, East Boston, scored a unanimous decision in four rounds from Lee Williams, 156, Roxbury. Frank Toto, 146, Providence, scored a clean one round kayo over Bobby Duke, 148, Fall River.

▶ PROVIDENCE—In a live card staged with the televised Floyd Patterson-Roy Harris, heavyweight title tilt, shown on a four-sided screen, George Araujo, 138, Providence, scored his second win of his comeback by taking a ten round decision from Lou Carmona, 136½, Puerto Rico. Araujo was much sharper in this battle, much of the old polish replacing the ring rust.

Johnny Bradley, 148, New York, on the floor in the first and third rounds, was awarded a fourth round TKO when Joe DiPierro, 153, Woonsocket, suffered a cut over his left eye. Bob Young, 170, Providence, had to come off the floor to knock out Sherman Dodd, 174, Roxbury, in the fifth round. Willie Green, 156½, Providence, stormed out a clear cut win over Jimmy Monts, 162, Hartford, in a sixer. Anelmo Castello, 122, New York, halted Bobby Govan, 124, Providence, in the first round.

▶ NORTH ADAMS—Glover's Bowl—Willie Pep, 129½, Hartford, won his 219th victory when he easily defeated Al Duarte, 136, South Dartmouth, in ten rounds. Pep won all ten rounds with ease as he gave a magnificent display of boxing skill. He penetrated Duarte's shell-like defense with ease and had the latter missing badly.

Curley Monroe, 142, Worcester, had a little too much ring lore for promising Al King, 141, Bristol, Conn., and took the decision in their eight rounder. Art Holliday, 158, Hartford, outboxed and outpunched Jimmy Montgomery, 150, Dorchester, in six rounds. Montgomery is a brother of Tommy Tibbs. Jimmy Monts, 168, Hartford, outpointed Joe Barboza, 170, East Boston, in the four round curtain raiser.

A-ROUND AND A-BOUT

FEATURE

By BOB ALLEN

WE used to know a poem—when we were much younger—part of which went something like this:

He might have been a Russian
Or a Turk or Greek or Prussian,
But in spite of all temptations
To belong to other nations
He remained forever an Englishman.

The verse occurs to us because of an item written by a Broadway columnist in a New York newspaper to the effect that Jack Solomons, London boxing promoter, might take over control of the fistic sport at Madison Square Garden.

Genial Jack, who has been to boxing in England what Tex Rickard, Mike Jacobs, and Jim Norris have been to boxing in the United States, has no intention of transferring his promotional activities to this country. Nor did he have any such intentions a dozen years ago when the same columnist, in almost identical language, made the same prediction at a time when the old Twentieth Century Sporting Club was ailing.

Still, it would add some quaint touches to Garden boxing if Solomons were in charge. The jolly Jack allows no seating of customers while a round is in progress; he permits no walking around through the aisles except during the minute intermission between rounds or between fights. Polite applause in the form of decorous hand-clapping is, of course, permitted and welcome; but he regard with dismay any clamorous outburst of cheering—or booing. We recall a Solomons boxing show in London when a spectator in a front row jumped up and cupped his hands to his mouth as though to shout something abusive at the struggling gladiators. A withering glance from Solomons virtually paralyzed the spectator, who, when he overcame his numbness, sheepishly sat down and later apologized for his unseemingly behavior.

Solomons is an able promoter, resourceful, imaginative, enterprising, and colorful. But he prefers to be what he is: a British promoter and a successful one.

Mention of British boxing reminds us of British boxers and the time Bruce Woodcock came to these shores to do battle with Tami Mauriello. A London scribe—in New York to report United Nations proceedings but assigned by his paper to cover the fight—called up the press department of the old Mike Jacobs organizations and inquired:

"Aye sye, sir, is the Woodcock match formal?"

"It's optional," replied the smart-aleck who answered the phone.

And blimey if the London writer didn't show up in complete formal attire even to the white bow-tie.

Arthur Daley is a Pulitizer Prize-winning columnist, for the New York Times, an honor he richly deserves. It grieves us, therefore, to have to find fault with him. In a column that appeared just prior to the Patterson-Harris fight Daley quoted Patterson as saying:

"If he (Harris) doesn't come at me, I'll have to go find him."

Wrote Daley, *"Patterson should find him, all right. In a ring there is no room to hide."*

Now come, Arthur, surely you should have given credit for this line to the man who said it first—Joe Louis, a dozen years ago just before his second fight with Billy Conn.

Max Baer spoke at a luncheon in Los Angeles a few weeks ago and referred to his meeting with Max Schmeling at the Yankee Stadium in the summer of '33. Said Baer:

"Jack Dempsey once told me that whenever you get tagged and see seven or eight guys in the ring, go for the one in the middle. That's what I did against Schmeling. He hit me with a right in the first round that straightened my broken nose. I looked up and saw ten men in front of me. So I punched the guy in the middle and it was Schmeling."

Who is the guy in the middle among ten? Figure it out—it's got to be Guy No. 5 AND Guy No. 6. Maybe Max aimed at both men and hit the one in the middle.

A Los Angeles reporter covering the affair at which Baer spoke wrote that a lot of people at the luncheon recalled how Baer had clowned through 15 rounds against Jimmy Braddock and lost the title. Believe you us, gentle reader, Baer did no clowning in the Braddock fight. He got licked, just like that. The only clowning Max did was after the fight when he tried to laugh off his defeat. He wasn't funny.

Someone asked Virgil Akins, world welterweight champion, to describe his style. Said Akins: *"I haven't got Ray Robinson's slickness, I'm not as smart as Archie Moore, and I don't jab like Joey Brown. I fight like Virgil Akins and that's good enough for me."*

That's better than the guy who could punch like Dempsey, could take a wallop like Joe Grim, had the cleverness of Corbett, the stamina of Jeffries, the speed of Fitzsimmons. Only trouble was he kept losing. *"What's the matter with him?"* a boxing writer asked the fellow's manager. *"Nothing,"* said the manager, *"he just can't fight."*

A report of the Sonny Liston-Wayne Bethea fight said that Bethea lost seven teeth as a result of the smashing right hand thrown by Liston, a blow that caused the fight to end in the first round. And this made us think of a story told by Teddy Wint, a one-time heavyweight from the British West Indies, who served at one time or another as sparmate for both Louis and Conn. He was asked one day to explain the difference between the punching prowess of these two.

"When Conn hit you it stung. Sometimes it hurt but it didn't knock you out. When Louis nailed you—well, I remember once sparring with him at Pompton Lakes. I was supposed to box two rounds. Just before the first round ended he hit me with a left hook to the mouth. I stumbled back toward the ropes just as the bell sounded. The handlers rushed me out of there and into the dressing-room because I was kind of groggy. One of them reached in to take out my mouthpiece. He looked at it. Five of my teeth were in there. That's the difference between Louis and Conn."

Tony Zale is boxing director of the Catholic Youth Organization in Chicago. We saw an item the other day that Zale is also working with Joe Louis in an effort to develop more talent for the International Boxing Club. These fellows better get busy.

Pal Moran, a top-flight lightweight of the Benny Leonard era, thinks Joey Brown, lightweight champion, is the best fighter, pound-for-pound, in the world today. But, says Moran, Brown could never have held his own with Leonard "or fighters of that calibre." All right, Pal, name us a half-dozen fighters "of that calibre."

Fight manager's quote: *"That kid coulda been a good fighter but his manager didn't pay no attention to him. The kid suffered from too much neglection."*

EUROPEAN GOSSIP

BY CHARLIE PARISH

GENERALLY a sleepy month, August saw a fair amount of boxing activity, particularly in Spain and Germany. Two championship bouts took place in Spain. Echevarria retaining the cruiser title. Jose Luis Martinez gaining the vacant feathers throne and Correa successfully defending his middle bauble.

Manolo Garcia remains in Argentina, where he drew with Ricardo Gonzales in his last outing. The new season promises to be a busy one in France, where 112 amateurs have been licensed to box in the paid ranks.

Gustav Scholz came in just over the middleweight limit for his bout with Mena but will remain listed as a lightheavy by this column until it is evident that he intends to box on as a middle. It is doubtful whether he can afford to train off too many pounds in view of the lung infection which laid him low two years ago. Here are the results in detail.

▶ **Oldenburg**, Germany—The Berlin Blitzer, Gustav Scholz, created a surprise here when he scaled only just above the middleweight limit for his fight with Spain's Domingo Mena. Report had it that Gus the Great would henceforth campaign as a lightheavy and he was consequently listed as such in our ratings. Mena, 161, was obviously no match for the hard-hitting Teuton. He is the most consistent loser of all second-flight middleweights but nevertheless can boast never to have been knocked out. Even Scholz failed to do this.

In the third session Mena was obliged to take three trips to the canvas, with the gong saving him from an unavoidable kayo. His seconds dragged the Spaniard back to his corner and Mena's pride brought him out fighting for the fourth. A lightning left from Scholz smashed Mena against the ropes, whereupon the towel was slung in. Everybody was happy; Scholtz had lost nothing of his old timing, speed or punch while Mena could still boast a record clear of kayo defeats. Mena was also down in the first round.

In the lighter divisions, however, it is not too safe for Germans to tangle with Spaniards, as Mimun Ben Ali demonstrated in his flyweight encounter with Edgar Basel. The latter had recently lost to Carreno in Spain and Ben Ali repeated the lesson. Both men weighed in at 115. The unanimous decision went to Ben Ali after eight rounds, despite a warning given him in the final round.

Francisco Frances, 155, tangled with Horst Borzoskowski, 159, for the fourth time. In their previous meetings, Frances had won two out of three and on this occasion fought well enough to obtain a draw with the blond bruiser from Danzig.

Dieter Wemhoner, 168, is a great stylist and one of the best lightheavies in Europe. Nevertheless, the promoters took a great risk in pitting him against Walter Haufft, 203, who came in as a last-minute substitute.

Wemhoner gave an excellent demonstration of how to outbox a giant, even allowing himself the luxury of dropping Haufft for "eight" in the opening round. It was a six-round affair and Wemhoner won easily.

Hans Ducree, 166, won the curtain-raiser by outscoring Luis Vicente Serra, 163, a useful Spaniard, over six rounds.

▶ **Valencia**, Spain—The American Negro currently resident in Germany, Charley Yates, did not have much luck among the orange groves of sunny Spain. He was outboxed here by Manuel Salcedo, a better than average welter under the direction of former World Champion Baltasar Sangchili. It must be noted that Yates has only had a few pro outings and this was his first ten-rounder.

In two lightweight eights, Jose Merayo bested Rafael Lahoz and Fernando Berez got the nod over Martinez Cifre.

▶ **Barcelona**, Spain—Ramon Correa put paid to the ambitions of Juan Amaya, known as the Gypsy, by stopping the fistic Romany in round five of a lightheavy bout. Francisco Sciarrino, an Italian feather campaigning around Spain, got the nod over Fernando Bicho in a fast eight.

In Madrid, Mimun Ben Ali warmed up for that match with Edgar Basel, already reported, by slamming out Luis Barba in the fifth round of a flyweight debate. Ramon Garriga put the skids under Juanito Rodriguez, lightie from Almeria, in round four.

▶ **Madrid**, Spain—As reported last month, Young Martin easily retained his European title by licking the pants off Robert Pollazon in fifteen rounds, taking almost every round. On the rest of the card, Juanito Segura scored an upset by dislodging Jose Ogazon from the flyweight throne of Spain, whipping the holder over twelve rounds. Ben Moktar Angheri outpointed the Basque, Carmelo Beraza, in a welter eight and Richardito Navarro scored over Francisco Hervas in a feathers eight.

▶ **Porto San Elpidio**, Italy—Federico Scarponi, gaunt bantam star, edged out a close decision here over the French champ, Eugene Le Cozanet, over ten rounds.

▶ At **Fano**, Aldo Pravisani proved that the Caprari defeat didn't mean a thing by trouncing the hide off Sergio Milan in a fast feathers ten. Nello Barbadoro, usually a surefire quick winner, took his time against Giuseppe Mangiarelli and coasted to a points win over eight rounds.

▶ **Nice**, France—Bottles and chairs flew into the ring and the referee was roughly handled by an excited crowd here at the close of a national title scuffle. As Laouri Godih has stayed overlong in the States, he was shorn of his lightweight laurels and Felix Chiocca was nominated to fight it out with Epiphane Akono for the vacant title. Akono, a coal-black wizard from Senegal, was none too particular with his punches but for all that, clearly had the better of the fight, gaining the upper hand in at least ten of the fifteen rounds. But the nod went to Chiocca and referee Chaix was lucky to leave the ring with his life.

▶ **Noumea**, French Caledonia—News comes from the South Seas that the local middles champ, Francois Anewy, is still busy. He flattened Harry Castle of Australia in two rounds.

▶ **Madrid**, Spain—At the Campo del Gas, Rafael Gayo won over Josè Merayo in a feathers eight while Eugenio Cifuentes halted Florentino Martin in the fifth stanza of welter slam. Tony Gutierrez won over Marquina in a lightie eight and Ricardo Vinals belted out Pablo Lafuente in the opening round of another lightweight discussion.

▶ **Vienna**, Austria—Another piece of crazy matchmaking has put Austrian boxing back on its heels. Hugo Köhler, first-rate middles prospect who wandered onto the Austrian scene recently by way of Yugoslavia and Germany, was handed a mighty tough obstacle for his twelfth pro outing. Nothing less than Peter Müller was good enough for the promotors to kick off their boxing premiere at the brand-new City Hall, though Black Peter had been undefeated in his last half-a-dozen bouts. It was a big occasion, with 9,000 fans jamming the new hall and all of Vienna's celebrities on view.

The Austrian charged into the fray in the third and landed one of his terrific haymakers on Muller's eye and he followed this up with a storm of punches which forced Peter to backpedal and cover up for dear life. There was a flurry of exchanges in the fourth and suddenly Muller threw a left hook to Köhler's head which dropped the hefty Austrian for the full count. Peter Müller was loudly applauded by the crowd and there is talk of him meeting the Hungarian, Laszlo Papp, in Vienna.

On the same bill, Leo Potesil restored some hopes for Austrian boxing by clearly outboxing Herbert Schilling, German welter, in a good six-rounder. Conny Rudhoff, another German, looked impressive in disposing of Nazreth Kounahalian, Lebanese lightie, with a knockout in the second round. Poldi Bauer, who retired as a welter back in 1953, is now back in action as a lightheavy. He had no bother in battering Werner Münch of Germany to a full stop in the second round.

Lignano, Italy—Mario Vecchiatto moved a step forward towards his goal—a fight with Duilio Loi—when he captured the national lightweight title here from Annibale Omodei, who had only gained the title himself last March. Vecchiatto is a regular prospect and won this twelve-rounder by a considerable margin.

At **Reggio Emilia**, Aldo Pravisani was again in action, trouncing Tanny Campo over ten rounds.

▶ **Cagliari**, Italy—The fight game is thriving in Sardinia, now headquarters of the large Branchini stable, however bad things may be in Milan. Piero Rollo, national bantam champion, had his hands full with torrid Kimpo Amarfio from Ghana, who led the champ a merry dance before being adjudged a close loser after ten fast and exciting rounds.

Fortunato Manca was perhaps rather "fortunato" to cop the decision over Germany's Gunter Hase after an evenly-disputed welter ten and Gianni Zuddas came back to action with a good points win over the Spanish bantam champion, Antonio Diaz, over eight rounds.

Umberto Vernaglione, often ruled out for his irregular tactics, was guilty of butting Paolo Melis and consequently returned to his corner during the third round of their welter debate while Salvatore Boi, middleweight contender, got the edge over Francisco Frances of Spain in a good eight. Attendance was 16,000.

CONTINENTAL RATINGS

(MONTH ENDING SEPTEMBER 18, 1958)

HEAVIES	CRUISERS	MIDDLES	WELTERS
1. Ingo Johansson (S)	Erich Schoppner (G)	Charles Humez (F)	Bruno Visintin (I)
2. Willy Besmanoff (G)	Willi Hoepner (G)	Hans Wohlers (G)	Emilio Marconi (I)
3. Mino Bozzano (I)	Rocco Mazzola (I)	Italo Scortichini (I)	Jacq. Herbillon (F)
4. Franco Cavicchi (I)	Gustav Scholz (G)	Max Resch (G)	Stefan Redl (G)
5. Heinz Neuhaus (G)	Germinal Ballarin (F)	Franz Szuzina (G)	Fortunato Manca (I)
6. Bruno Scarabellin (I)	Charles Colin (F)	Andre Drille (F)	Ben Buker II (S)
7. Albert Westphal (G)	Dieter Wemhoner (G)	Peter Muller (G)	Seraphin Ferrer (F)
8. Ulli Ritter (G)	Sante Amonti (I)	Giancarlo Garbelli (I)	Chris Christensen (D)
9. Mario De Persio (I)	Giulio Rinaldi (I)	Michel Diouf (F)	Maurice Auzel (F)
10. Massimo Zanaboni (I)	Uwe Janssen (G)	Leen Jansen (H)	Chico Santos (P)

LIGHTWEIGHTS	FEATHERS	BANTAMS	FLYWEIGHTS
1. Duilio Loi (I)	Cherif Hamia (F)	Alphonse Halimi (F)	Young Martin (S)
2. Lahouri Godith (F)	Sergio Caprari (I)	Mario D'Agata (I)	Jose Ogazon (S)
3. Mario Vecchiatto (I)	Gracieux Lamperti (F)	Piero Rollo (I)	Robert Pollazon (F)
4. Fred Galiana (S)	Manolo Garcia (S)	Pentti Hamalainen (FN)	Francisco Carreno (S)
5. Felix Chiocca (F)	Jean Sneyers (B)	Juan Cardenas (S)	Ben Ali (S)
6. Epiphane Akono (F)	Giordano Campari (I)	Eugene Le Cozannet (F)	Risto Luukkonen (FN)
7. Fernand Nollet (F)	Louis Poncy (F)	Pierre Cossemyns (B)	Edgar Basel (G)
8. Guy Gracia (F)	Aldo Pravisani (I)	Dante Bini (F)	Juanito Segura (S)
9. Piet van Klaveren (H)	Andre Valignat (F)	Federico Scarponi (I)	Jean Guerrand (F)
10. Bobby Ros (S)	Letterio Petilli (I)	Gianni Zuddas (I)	Rene Libeer (F)

LEGEND: B Belgium; D Denmark; F France; FN Finland; G Germany; H Holland; I Italy; P Portugal; S Spain; SW Sweden.

▶ **Madrid,** Spain—At the Campo del Rayo, Kid Daniel put the skids under Sinforoso Pamies in the second frame of their welter encounter here. Ricardo Navarro bested Francisco Hervas in a feathers eight and Luis Folledo stopped Vicente Quiles in the fifth.

Armengol Yacobi edged out Daniel Espinosa in a further feathers fight.

▶ At the Campo del Gas—Jose Luis Martinez, now campaigning in the feathers ranks, won a handy decision from Rafael Gayo over eight while promising Tony Gutierrez licked Francisco Gracia in a lightie eight. Fernando Perez Artero won over Julio Garceran in a feathers eight, and Carmelo Beraza trimmed Ahmed Ahmida, Moroccan welter, over eight.

▶ **Barcelona,** Spain—At the Sports Pavilion, the French flyweight trial-horse Henri Schmid scored a big upset by gaining a decision over Francisco Carreno in a good ten-rounder. Frank Garcia pasted Jean Biosca of France in a lightweight ten and Juan Cardenas had a fairly easy job in disposing of Roland Roy, French bantam, inside four rounds.

▶ **Madrid,** Spain—Juanito Segura gave his new bantam flyweight crown an airing here at the Bull Ring, where he won handily over Stan Sobolak of France in eight rounds.

Two more national champs were on display, Vicente Echevarria winning comfortably from the muscular but crude Belgian cruiser, Andre Wyns and hard-bitten Bobby Ros turning the same trick against Jean Paternotte, Belgian lightie. Francisco Ortega, middles comer, likewise won his bout by licking Hans Schweizer, Swiss by name and Swiss by nationality, over eight rounds.

▶ **Grosseto,** Italy—Emilio Marconi obliged Helmut Hohmann, German welter, to retire in the seventh round of a rather one-sided scrap here, on Emilio's favorite old stamping-grounds.

▶ At **Cervia**—Another German met defeat on Italian soil, though this time with full honors. Erwin Hack, capable southpaw from Hamburg, was quite a match for powerful Sante Amonti, the so-called Hammer of Brescia, and despite five trips to the canvas he finished the course on his feet and still fighting strongly.

▶ **San Remo,** Italy—Sergio Caprari tangled here with Jean Sneyers, the Belgian "Angel of the Ring" in a fifteen round bid for the vacant European feathers title. Caprari, a speedy southpaw with a sharp punch and a pleasing style, was too good for the one-time wizard from Brussels and piled up a handy points lead before stopping Sneyers in the eleventh frame. The end came when Caprari swept the Belgian's feet from under him with a hail of punches and poor Jean hit the deck. He rose while the ref was still counting and walked to his corner a beaten man. Caprari is thus the official champion.

To become a true champion he must first dispose of Hamia and Lamperti, two Frenchmen who can also sling a nifty wallop.

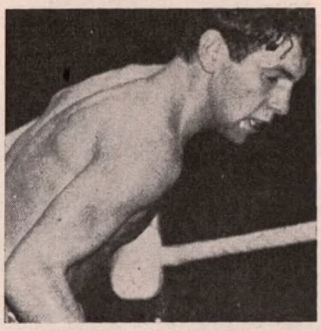
▶ **Hamburg,** Germany—A crowd of 3,500 turned up at the Ernst Merck Hall to watch the new heavies champ, Albert Westphal, tackle Karl Machain of Austria. Westphal won the title by a rather fortuitous kayo of Hans Kalbfell and is a master baker by profession. Before he becomes a master boxer he must whip Kalbfell in a return and also dispose of Neuhaus and Ritter. Machain is a rather obscure character who spent the last five years barnstorming around Australia and has failed to impress in any of his European showings.

In Hamburg he had only courage on display. After outboxing Westphal in the opening round he was copped by a left hook in the second which dropped him for "9". Westphal floored the Austrian twice more before the gong sounded. He went all out for the kill in the third but Machain easily avoided the Hamburger's wild charges and the picture was repeated in the next session.

At the start of the fifth, Westphal cornered his man and let fly a sizzling left which sprawled Machain for the full count.

Uwe Janssen, 174, had his work cut out to force an unpopular draw with Erwin Hack, local southpaw, over eight rounds and kayo artist Harry Kurschat, 137, was also fortunate against Remo Viarengo of Italy. The latter was taken out of action during the fourth round owing to a badly cut eye but until then had made things more than interesting for the Berliner.

Sensation of the evening was registered by Conny Rudhoff, 135, who brilliantly outfought the national champion, Manfred Neuke, over eight rounds. Werner Wallos-chek, 225, outfumbled Mario Saviane, 288(!), of Italy in a crude six, and Klaus Langhammer, 176, edged out a close one from Hubert Retzlaff in a four-rounder.



Young Martin retained his European flyweight title by taking an easy fifteen round decision from Robert Pollazon of France at Madrid, Spain.

▶ **Valencia,** Spain—At the local bull-ring, Manola Correa retained his middles title against young Francisco Ortega, winning easily from his game but inexperienced opponent in a 12 round bout.

Manuel Salcedo won over Emilio Ruiz Amatria, who was taken out of action "for manifest inferiority," a verdict which did not meet with much approval from the crowd of 15,000. Romareda nodded Francisco Sciarrino of Italy in a good feathers eight.

▶ **Avila,** Spain—Jose-Maria Manrique dropped in here to entertain Castilian lightweight Eduardo Cuesta Simal and had no difficulty in belting out the visitor in two rounds while Jose Bengoa, another Basque, stopped Sanchez in the third heat of a welter dispute.

In **Madrid**—Domingo Lopez proved once again his value as a trial-horse by checking the advance of promising Garcia Hidalgo, winning this middles eight in classic style. Also featured at the Campo del Gas, before a full house, was rising Diego Infantes, who outfought wily Cristobal Cisneros in a good welter eight. Perez Artero retired at the end of the fourth round of his feathers scrap with Isidoro Perez due to a cut eye and Pedro Acebo trimmed Bicho in a lightie six.

▶ **Torrelavega,** Spain—The experience of Vicente Echevarria was too much for Juan Amaya, the fighting Gypsy from Barcelona, and the former was able to retain his cruiser title without undue trouble, winning six out of twelve, with three rounds going to the challenger.

▶ At **Malaga,** Jose Luis Martinez fought it out with Jacinto Santin, a Basque southpaw who has been on the sidelines for some time. The feathers title was at stake as Manolo Garcia surrendered the crown while campaigning in South America. Martinez tore right ahead from the first gong and soon built up a useful lead but in the seventh round Santin flashed over a left hook which dropped the Catalan for "3". It was even-steven for a while but Martinez put on the pressure in the final rounds to cop a clear decision over twelve rounds.

▶ **Barcelona,** Spain—At the Gran Price, Jose Merayo scored a useful win here by stopping Jose Bonilla in the sixth round of a lightweight scrap. On the rest of the card Paulino trimmed Ricardo Vinals in a lightie six and Juan Canales outscored Pach in a bantam six.

SOUTH AFRICAN NEWS
By Les Muller

NON-EUROPEAN ROUND-UP.

Durban. Joas Maoto (133), won the South African non-European lightweight championship from the holder, Johnny Linda (135), on points over twelve rounds at the Durban City Hall. Linda started the fight at a terrific pace, but was a little wild with his punches.

Promising Dick Goba snatched the Natal featherweight championship from Eddie Fisher, former title-holder, Goba is a bright prospect and bares watching.

Leonard Madela (117), successfully defended his Natal bantamweight championship by outpointing Louis Joshua (117), over ten action-packed rounds.

Bantamweight: Nagoor Govender kayoed Jacob Zungu in round two.

Featherweights: Lawrence Sithole (124), outpointed Zachariah Dube (125½), over four rounds. David Masinga (126), outpointed Simon Mcunu also over four rounds.

▶ **Johannesburg** — Philemon . Tshabalala (146½), became the new Transvaal welterweight champion by narrowly outpointing Gabriel Eeleke (145), over ten hard fought rounds at the Johannesburg Social Centre. Tshabalala became dual champion as he already holds the middleweight title. Tshabalala won through his boxing skill, whereas Seleke seemed wide open to Philemon's skillful left and rights.

Flyweight: Klassie Links beat Josiah Radebe on a fourth round t.k.o.

Lightweights: Kid Cobra beat Kenneth Mguli on points over four rounds. Steven Segole beat Thomas Tshosane on points also over four rounds.

Welterweight: Shaik Nhlapo beat Willie Fisher on points in a six-rounder.

▶ **European Round-Up. Salisbury. Southern Rhodesia**—Before a small crowd, Gawie De Klerk, South African heavyweight champion, took only 20 seconds to dispose of Eddie Theron, in a nontitle fight at the Raylton Sports Grounds, Salisbury. In the best bout of the evening Sampie Pretorius outpointed Gary Gordon over eight rounds. The two fighters tore into each other from the opening bell and never let up throughout the eight rounds.

Bantamweight: Boet Stander beat Les Smith on a fourth round t.k.o.

Featherweight: John Blignaut beat Basil Hughes on points over four rounds.

Heavyweights: Jim Corbett beat Alfie McKnight on points over six rounds. Jan Scheepers beat Ray Sands by a knock-out in the second round.

MOBILE BOXING
By Art Drago

MOBILE, ALA.—INTEREST IN BOXING HERE HIT a post-war zenith when 2,696 fans contributed to a gross gate of $5,725.20 to see local welterweight Guy Sumlin decision Tony Dupas of New Orleans in a hotly contested ten-rounder.

The victory was the 12th in succession for Sumlin, who is undefeated in 15 months of pro campaigning.

Guy made it 13 in a row early in September when he travelled to Miami to upset Gomeo Brennan in a ten-rounder at Miami Beach Auditorium.

Sumlin's bout with Dupas was a bruising affair throughout. Although there were no knockdowns, both boys sustained noticeable battle damage with Sumlin absorbing a cut over his left eye which took eight stitches to close.

While the feature battle was an entertaining affair, the semi-windup clash was the night's best show. Featherweight Sammy Bombiano, a transplanted New Englander who now fights out of Mobile, gained a very close decision over Frankie Speed of Jackson, Miss., over the eight-round route.

Mobile welterweight Carleton Wilson returned to the ring wars in impressive fashion when he belted out Don Jones of New Orleans in two rounds.

Young Chuck Salmon, Mobile welter who compiled a great record in service boxing, made his pro debut by belting out Joe Perez of New Orleans in the second round.

CANADIAN TOPICS
By Lawson Bampton

EDDIE QUINN, CANADA'S TOP SPORTS IMPRESARIO, is pondering deeply over his next ring attraction, scheduled for October 22nd in cooperation with the IBC at the Montreal Forum, after a great artistic success with his Yvon Durelle—Mike Holt sock-fest last July. He's trying to get Tony Anthony vs. Mike Holt, providing Archie Moore doesn't decide to defend his world lightheavy crown against Yvon Durelle on that date.

▶ Canadian boxers of prominence are not too plentiful and never have been. However, we have a few good performers who rate right up with the top scrappers. George Chuvalo, Toronto lad, has hit into the First Ten of the heavyweights by holding Alex Miteoff, high ranking Argentine heavy, to draw in a ten rounder at Toronto. Though outsmarted by his more experienced foe most of the way, Chuvalo put on a tremendous rally in the final round to floor Miteoff and earn a draw. This praiseworthy performance indicated that the youngster has the potential to go right up to contending ranking and perhaps all the way.

▶ Next to Durelle and Chuvalo, we have some pretty fair performers in Gale Kerwin, Ottawa's fiery welter who has been in a few internationally televised bouts. Wilf Greaves, Edmonton's rising middle, and Pat Supple, Montreal's Canadian bantam king who has a good record.

UNDER SOUTHERN SKIES
By Tom Ephrem

GEORGIE ABRAMS, former top middleweight challenger at the time Tony Zale held the title, renewed acquaintances in Jacksonville and made it known his family and he will be living in Florida sunshine. Hale and hearty and just a few pounds over his fighting weight, li'l ole Georgie spoke so much on boxing that he practically let the kitty out of the bag. Rest assured he'll be back in the game in some capacity. The Abrams family, wife Dot, son Jimmy and daughter Arlene, and Georgie may settle in Miami or Jacksonville, and the many friends are glad to know it.

▶An invitation to the National Boxing Association to hold the 1959 get-together in Jacksonville was extended to President Fred J. Saddy, of Milwaukee by Julian Jackson, chairman of the Jacksonville Boxing and Wrestling Commission.

A nice working left jab paid off for Robinson Garcia with a 10 round victory over Bobby Bell at Miami Beach, unanimous in the eyes of Referee Billy Regan and Judges Eddie Thal and Stu Winston.

The main event attracted naturally most of the 1,617 fans that contributed to Promoter Chris Dundee's till the sum of $3,050.50. The winner, from Havana, and a lightweight, had to overcome a cut eye that was opened in the second round. The loser is a New Yorker.

Ike Vaughn punched out a clean cut 10 rounder over Rocky Ferguson while in a third tenner, Jo Jo Jordan upset Andy Mayfield. It's Jordan's first time up in that number of rounds and said to be his 10th consecutive win. Vaughn let Ferguson lead with a right and axed his way to victory.

Jimmy Beecham, Miami middleweight scored a notable upset over Bobby Boyd at Miami Beach, which you saw over TV. A crouching style, planned by Trainer Angelo Dundee, surprised the enemy camp and Jimmy went on to gain the nod of Referee Billy Regan and Judges Fred Aaronson and Barry Pearlman. But it was so close. The loser forced the fight with his jabs and flurries and it was Beecham who scored with the solid shots. Jimmy tipped 158½ and Boyd, of Chicago, 161. Chris Dundee and the IBC co-promoted. The attendance: 1,965, and they paid $4,068.

Buddy Edenfield knocked out Kenny Salzman in round two of a welter go. John Pew was the man in a light-heavyweight bout, defeating Gene Mann. Billy Orias took a welterweight affair from Danny Jones. Fred Blades won from Willie Mack, both light-heavies. Hymie Budow decisioned Al DuBois in a lightweight tangle.

NEW ORLEANS AND THE SOUTH
By Ike Morales
(New Orleans Correspondent)

AS IN ALMOST EVERY FIGHT CENTER THROUGHOUT THE NATION, the fight game in New Orleans slowed up considerably during the summer. But Promoters Bonnie Geigerman and Heard Ragas were optimistic about the future, confident that the fall and winter months will bring several high ranking fighters to the Crescent City.

"We're working on some high class bouts," said Geigerman, "and hope to land a few before long."

Geigerman and Ragas said they have been trying for several months to lure Rory Calhoun for a fight with Charley Joseph, but Calhoun's handlers have turned down the offers.

▶Warren English, who was unbeaten as a pro some two decades ago, died from a gunshot wound as a result of a freak accident. Warren took on all comers and never once put up a poor performance . . . The New Orleans Item, one of the oldest afternoon papers in the South, closed shop on September 15. The Item was purchased recently by the Times-Picayune . . .

▶Charley Joseph, 160, once regarded as a middleweight title challenger, lost some prestige and a possible ranking when he dropped a 10-round decision to George Benton 160, of Philadelphia in the Coliseum arena on August 26.

Joseph's co-managers, Mike Cusimano and Nick Lapara, had planned a jab-and-run style, hoping the local boy's boxing skill would overcome Benton's durability and harder punching.

But the plans backfired. The packed arena, 3649 fans grossed $7,300 to see the fight, was filled with loud booes and jeers as Joseph, following instructions from his corner, refused to punch with Benton. And as a result, the verdict was unanimous with the three officials.

When Willie Pastrano of New Orleans visited Bologna to fight Franco Cavicchi, he found himself in the midst of a gathering of top heavyweights from Europe as he entered the ring for an introduction. From Left to right—Pastrano, Uber Bacilieri, Giannio Luise, Mino Bazzano, member of the Olympic team who is making rapid headway in the pro ranks; Jose Gonzales, Spanish champ; Mario Delpersio, who won the Italian crown by stopping Bacilieri, Massino Zanaboni and Franco Cavicchi who was defeated by Pastrano in their recent fight.

Referee Frederick Adams and Judge Charles Dabney scored it 6-2-2, while Judge Ernie Cojoe tabbed it 4-4-2, but gave it to Benton for cleaner punching. My score sheet was far different from the officials, however. I gave each fighter five rounds, but tabbed Benton the winner.

"I followed instructions from my managers," said a disappointed Joseph, who thought he had won the fight.

Both fighters weighed 160 pounds. Benton entered the ring a 7 to 5 favorite. It was his second victory over Joseph.

Larry Armstead, 140¼ pounds, turned the tables on Duke Malone, 144, of Mobile in the six-round semi-final. There were no knockdowns. In their first meeting, Malone stopped Armstead in the sixth round.

Teddy Robinson stopped Irvin Celestin in the second round of a scheduled four, while Leo Gueringer bested Percy Pugh and Speedy Allen outpointed Leo Stewart in other fours.

▶Willie Pastrano, young New Orleans heavyweight title challenger, added Tommy Thompson of Washington, D. C., to his list of victims. The 22-year-old Pastrano blasted his opponent against the ropes midway in the fourth round with a continual stream of rights and lefts that dropped the 192-pound Washington Marine to his knees for the 10 count. The scheduled 10 rounder was held at Columbus, Ga.

TEXAS BOXING NEWS
By Harlan Haas

THE CLOSED-CIRCUIT TELECAST OF THE ROY HARRIS-FLOYD PATTERSON heavyweight title fight was a tremendous success in Houston. The 11,000 seat Coliseum was unavailable for the date, but T.B.E. went into the Auditorium and Music Hall, plus the open air Playland Speedway. The Auditorium and Music Hall was completely sold out to the tune of $38,000. Every inch of available standing room was sold, and still hundreds upon hundreds of fans crowded into the lobbies of the two buildings.

Playland Speedway attracted some 4,000 fans who paid $20,500 to eyeball the screening. A total of $58,500 in the till.

Conroe, some 45 miles away, did $26,000 worth of business.

Ralph Smith did a whopping $36,000 in Dallas, and proved that Big D is boxing hungry.

Benny King did $12,000 in Fort Worth. Earl Gilliam took in close to $10,000 in Shreveport. Amarillo, Waco, Austin, and El Paso all did in excess of $5,000.

Roy Harris has been making the banquet circuit ever since getting back to his native Cut 'n Shoot. The big Cut 'n Shoot country-boy is anxious to get back into training. By the time this appears in print he'll have started on the road back. He made a lot of friends with his game stand against Patterson.

Big Cleve Williams, one of the game's deadliest punchers, is once again shaking the rafters at Roxy's Gym in downtown Houston as he tosses bombs at the heavy bag. This superbly built 210 pounder is anxious to swap leather with England's Dick Richardson. The whaler from Wales was disqualified some months back for butting in his bout with Big Cleve, and their widely ballyhooed second meeting never came off when the former Georgia boy, who now makes his home in Houston, took sick. However, they're scheduled to face each other in the near future.

▶Al Boudreaux, New Orleans' Fighting Frenchman, came through with another knockout when he turned the lights out for the veteran Rocky Starlic on August 29th, in the ninth round. It marked the seventh main event win of the year for Boudreaux.

▶Benny King has Matt Plachy, his undefeated Hungarian lightheavy in fine condition. Plachy ran off three consecutive victories. He is a veteran of some 300 European simon pure battles and now is ready to start moving up in the pro ranks.

▶Bill Davee has one of the South's top welters in Joe Felan. He'll be kept busy with September dates in Corpus Christi and San Antonio, also, Austin. Felan has a fine record as a money fighter—35 Wins, 3 Losses, 1 Draw. Watch him move up.

▶Dallas, Texas, Ralph Smith, Promoter Roque Maravilla, 179, showing in Texas for the first time, edged Texas lightheavy king Donnie Fleeman, 177, in an exciting 10 round contest. It was by split decision, and a fine turnout paid in excess of $11,000 to set in on the proceedings.

Sonny Moore, 175, Dallas, got off the deck to gain a draw with Tommy "Hurricane" Sims, 177, Los Angeles. Roy Sparks, 149, Austin, followed his two sensational knockouts of Dale Davis by shellacking Irish Johnny McKoin, 140, Bastrop, La., in six rounds. Billy Watson, 210, decisioned Willie Morris, 176, in a four. Garland Randall, 136, whipped Robert Chauvin, 140, in four, and Henry Watson, 139, drew with Ray Gonzales, 140, in a third four rounder.

▶Brownsville, Texas, Nolan B. Aycock, Promoter Jose Zapata, 155, Mexico, hammered out a 10 round decision over veteran Johnny Penn, 157, Houston, in the headline attraction at Brownsville. It was a fiercely contested brawl. Jorge Gomez, 118, stopped Gus Carrera, 121, in five rounds. Eloy Zarate, 129, kayoed Antonio Villegas Luna, 135, in two heats.

▶Brownsville, Texas—A capacity house jammed the old Opera House in Brownsville to see Miguel "Mike" Coronado 146, gain a split duke from Joe Hargrove, 140, of Austin. These two had met the month before in Corpus Christi in one of the wildest brawls imaginable with Coronado winning a close one. The judges didn't see eye to eye in the Brownsville scrap, one tabbed Coronado the other Hargrove, but Referee Midget Azteca cast his ballot in favor of the Brownsville boy.

Rudy Valdez, 118, Corpus Christi, won in eight rounds over Baby Del Polo, Matamaros.

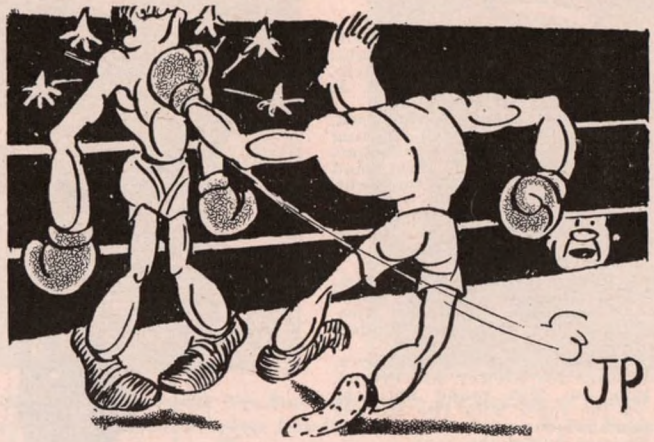
Larry Molina, Brownsville Herald employee, kayoed Chaco Moran in three frames.

▶Corpus Christi:—Francisco Ortiz (116) decisioned David Morales (114), four rounds. Jorge Gomez (118) kayoed Esteben Vega (116), two rounds. Manuel "Chico" Garcia (162) decisioned Pedro Jose Zapata (159), six rounds. Oscar Ortegon (138) decisioned Eduardo Zamora M. (131), ten rounds.

▶Beaumont:—Eloy Zarate (129½) decisioned Marshall Simpson (128), four rounds. Cecil Mott (133) kayoed Buddy Anderson (135), three rounds. Lloyd Nelson (147) decisioned Mike Coronado (147), ten rounds.

▶Brownsville:—Alfredo Gomez (125) kayoed Daniel Vasquez Lopez (130), two rounds. Regalo Landes (146) decisioned Hilario Molina (140), eight rounds. Daniel Felisardo (153) decisioned Lester Brown (147), ten rounds.

QUERIES ANSWERED BY NAT FLEISCHER



SERVIO TULIO LAY, COLON, PANAMA

Q—In a contest billed for the bantamweight championship of Panama, the title holder, Melvin Bourne, weighed 123 pounds and his challenger Claudio Martinez, 117. Since the champion failed to make the weight, 118 pounds or less, did he lose the title? He lost to Martinez. What I would like to know is if he had won, would he still retain his title? As a loser, would Martinez have become the new champion?

A—*Bourne lost his title on the scales. Had he won the fight, he still would have been minus his crown. He can no longer be considered the champion. His conqueror, Martinez, is the leading contender for the crown. The fight must be registered as an overweight match and not a championship affair.*

GILBERT DRAKES, DEMERARA, BRITISH GUIANA.

Q—Which of the two between Joe Louis and Ray Robinson has given more to charity? What is meant by a cruiserweight?

A—*Joe Louis by far. A Cruiserweight is equivalent to a light heavyweight in America. It is the class below the heavyweights.*

JACK STEVENS, JUDSONIA, ARKANSAS

Q—Please settle a dispute. Did Joe Giambra and Joey Giardello fight before or after Bobo Olson was knocked out by Archie Moore?

A—*Before. Giardello and Giambra fought on October 13, 1952 and November 11, 1952, while the Olson-Moore fight took place on June 22, 1955.*

GERALD O'SULLIVAN, ALBANY, OREGON.

Q—Was Hurricane Tommy Jackson ever rated Number One by either the NBA or The Ring? What was his rating when he fought Floyd Patterson?

A—*Yes, he was rated Number 1 by both at one time. The Ring had him Number One contender from January through July, up to the time he was knocked out by Patterson, July 29, 1957. He previously had been rated second, third and fourth by both NBA and The Ring. Before the Patterson fight, the NBA also had him the top challenger.*

A. L. BARRS, HOLMGATE, CLAY CROSS, DERBYSHIRE, ENGLAND.

Q—Was Randy Turpin recognized as world champion when he boxed Bobo Olson in New York?

A—*No, he was recognized as European champion and Olson as American title-holder. Turpin defeated Charley Humez, the French entry, in an elimination match for the European laurels. At the same time Olson qualified by beating Paddy Young in the final round of an American tourney. Olson then whipped Turpin for the world championship.*

PETER J. HARRIS, OAKLAND, CAL.

Q—In a state like New York, where rounds are the means for deciding a contest, is it possible for a world champion to lose his title if the rounds are even? Of course I refer to the fact that when the rounds are even, the officials may decide a bout by means of the Eagan four points system which is used in conjunction with the round by round scoring.

A—*Yes. If the rounds are even, the officials, according to the New York Commission rules, are required to add their points and the one leading on points, wins the bout. If the points and rounds are even, the officials call the bout a draw. In the case of a draw, the champ, of course, retains his title.*

FRANK K. SINGLETON, KANSAS CITY, MO.

Q—I note on TV that frequently boxers hold and the referee steps in and tears them apart instead of ordering them to break as they do in England and on the European continent where I have seen many boxing bouts. Why do referees in America instruct the boxers to "be sure to break when I tell you," and then forget all about their instructions and rush pell-mell into the fray, often spoiling a fight that otherwise would be enjoyed?

A—*Don't ask me. It is a matter that can be handled only by commissions. Only incompetent referees interfere with the boxers. A warning with a penalty following further holding would soon break that style of fighting in America. Many US boxers have been disqualified in Europe for holding.*

JOHN F. GRAY, PERIE, INDIANA.

Q—In the Rademacher-Folley fight was the official decision a TKO or a knockout? We have some wagers and want the official verdict. Must a fight end in a ten count to be called a knockout?

A—*State rules differ. In N. Y. we call call it a TKO but the Ring abides by the old rule when a fight is halted, the man stopped loses by a knockout. We don't believe in the foolish rule that a fight ends in a TKO when it is obvious the loser cannot continue and often is dead to the world until revived. In California the official verdict was a knockout. The rule there states that all fights terminated by the referee, or by a fighter himself, unless for an injury or for a disqualification, ends in a knockout. When stopped for an injury, the man ahead on points is declared the winner on a knockout.*

MIKE GARVIN, LOS ANGELES, CAL.

Q—I have a wager with my dad. I say that Jake La Motta was put on the canvas in one of his fights and father disputes it. Am I correct?

A—*Yes. In the seventh round of his fight with Danny Nardico in Florida, Danny decked Jake for a count of eight. The bout was stopped after La Motta got up and was groggy.*

OLIVER BRAMMER, KINGSTON, JAMAICA, BWI.

Q—If Ray Robinson were to retire before defending his title, would he be registered as undefeated middleweight champion in retirement? Is Joe Louis so listed among the retired undefeated champions? Is Peter Rademacher the first heavyweight to fight for the world title without having ever fought professionally?

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MONTANA MITTS
By Harold Manning

ANACONDA—ROGER ROUSE, 164, MONTANA'S FAST-CLIMBING middleweight, scored a T.K.O. over Joe Neal, 165, Vallejo, California, in 2.35 of the second round, at the Anaconda Memorial Gymnasium.

After losing the first round to the sleek, fast-punching Neal, Rouse started opening up in the second round. In a fast exchange, Rouse nailed Neal with a terrific right hand counter punch, putting him down for eight.

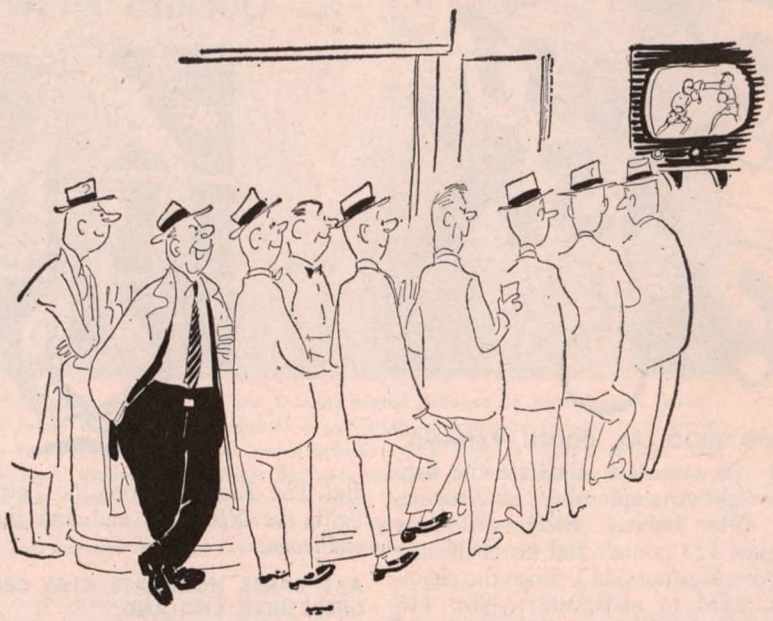
The California boy arose, only to run into a fusillade of punches and go down for another eight count. On his third trip to the canvas, Referee Billy Matelich awarded the fight to Rouse on a T.K.O.

In the first 10-rounder on the program, Denny Moyer, 149, Portland, Oregon, scored a T.K.O. over Chico Cerino, 151, Puerto Rico, in 2.50 of the 4th round. This was a blistering battle.

The second 10-rounder saw Phil Moyer, 154, Portland, chase Joe Brewer, 159, Fresno, California, into the 10th round until he caught him on the ropes with two seconds to go and punished him so severely until Referee Eli Thomas halted the bout.

This card was turned into a benefit show at the last minute for the families of Dale Manz, Idaho middleweight, and Johnny Maravilla, welterweight, who were killed in a private plane crash as they were leaving Boise, Idaho to fly to the Anaconda fight. Manz was to meet Rouse in the main event and Maravilla was booked for a preliminary.

The somber fight crowd stood in silent prayer while the ring bell was tolled ten times in memory of Manz, Maravilla, their manager Kenny Nichols, and the pilot of the ill-fated aircraft, Paul Engle. Sid Flaherty, manager of Rouse, announced he would pay the expenses of the show. The families of the dead boxers will receive over $700. The referees donated their services.



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"ACTION AT ALBUQUERQUE"
By Johnny Seubert

Results of a fight card held at the Civic Auditorium:

Manuel Gonzales, 145, Charro, Texas, unanimously decisioned Gil Holguin, 146, El Paso, Texas, in the ten round main go.

Joey Limas, 132, Albuquerque, unanimously decisioned Ruben Munoz, 130, in a six round semi-final. Bob Harrington, 133, Albuquerque, split decisioned Bob Garcia, 134, El Paso.

Flory Olguin, 135, Albuquerque, unanimously decisioned Howard Milsaps, 134, Odessa, Texas. Freddie Garcia Costilla, stopped Lindell Buttrum, Salem, Oregon, in 1:58 of round two of a scheduled four round opener. Both middleweights.

Joe Louis, ex-world heavyweight champ, refereed the main go.

▶Hobbs, New Mexico: Manuel Gonzales, Charro, Texas, unanimously decisioned Alvin Boudreaux, Louisiana. Both welterweights.

Reuben Munoz, Odessa, unanimously decisioned Bobby Garza, Corpus Christi. Both featherweights.

"Rip" White, Odessa, kayoed Bill Bartner, Littlefield, Texas, in round two. Both middleweights.

Bunky Dixon, decisioned Willie Hicks in an opening four. Both are lightweights from Hobbs, N. Mex.

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IT HAPPENED IN WISCONSIN
With Pinky Mitchell, former World Junior Welterweight Champion

Willi Besmanoff, German heavyweight journeyed to Wisconsin for a vacation in the north woods and liked what he saw so well that upon returning decided to make his home in Milwaukee.

There are 288 German Societies in Wisconsin. A "Landsman" who is strong and can punch will prove good box-office. Willi is a likeable chap and strong. Promoter Dr. Jack Gules, who has taken a personal interest in the German feels he lacks only that one-punch knockout in his bag of tricks to make him a champion.

Jersey Jones and Lew Burston, who brought Besmanoff to this country, have done a fine job in directing his affairs. Dr. Gules and Eddie Metrie hope to lend local atmosphere behind the big fellow and have him workout of Milwaukee if arrangements can be made with the popular easterners.

An arrangement would give Milwaukee two good attractions the heavyweight Besmanoff and light heavyweight Arville Pitts. Pitts is back in the gym training again after being laid up for better than a month with an ulcerated tooth.

While the hot weather kept boxing promoters inactive wrestling promoter John Heim continued to play to big houses. His big monthly show drew over $9,000 and four small weekly shows drew capacity.

BOXING FROM INDIANA
By Joe French

THE COMING INDOOR SEASON COULD BE A BUSY ONE FOR Indiana boxing if the various clubs get going with regular shows. At present, there are six licensed promoters around the state which offers some encouragement to conditions on the Hoosier fistic front.

Leon Balkin heads the club at Evansville while at Fort Wayne boxing programs are presented by Tri-State Promotions. Munster has a promoter in the person of Balk Estes while the fistic fort at Richmond is held down by Matt Mercurio. At Indianapolis the Hoosier Boxing Club holds the permit for mitt programs while up at Michigan City the ring promoter is Tex Nunnally.

▶A. C. (Al) Allen, veteran trainer and coach, is doing a great job with the amateurs at Indianapolis as director of the St. Rita Boxing Club. Members of his boxing team won six titles and two team trophies in the 1958 Indianapolis Golden Gloves plus five championships in the State A. A. U. tourney. Allen has high hopes for Gay Good, a welterweight of promise. In addition to his coaching duties, Allen is also running amateur shows for the club.

▶Norman Johnson, Indianapolis 147-pounder, represented Indiana as a member of the American amateur team which competed in the Diamond Belt Tourney at Mexico City.

IN AND AROUND CHICAGO
By Lenny Myers

INDIAN BUDDY JACKSON, 147, NEW YORK, STOPPED Jerry Mortell, 145, Chicago, in the 6th round of a scheduled eight round feature at the Midwest Arena. The bout, a rematch, ended in the same fashion for Mortell who was kayoed the first time.

Maurice Burk, 141, Chicago, defeated King Craig, 140, in a fast four spot. Robert Scott, 145, and Eddie Allen, 149, battled to a four round draw. Willie Nelson, 126, halted Ray Tornaz in one. Ted Meeks, 166, Chicago, beat Jim Ellery, 164, in a fast five round event.

▶Sonny Liston, St. Louis heavyweight, made another big stride climbing the fistic ladder by hanging a fast one round knockout over Wayne Bethea. Liston knocked out seven teeth in less than one minute of fighting. The end came after 1:09 of the first round.

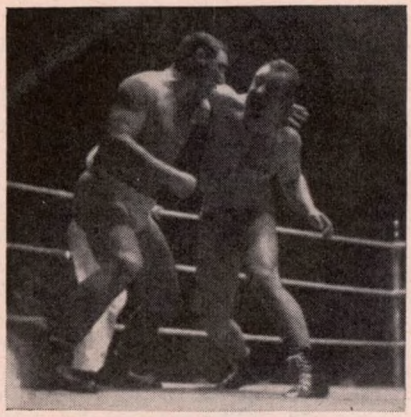
Jessie Smith, 159, stopped Tom Swan, 158, in one heat. Ron Jones, 128, beat Gino Jose, 129, in four rounds. Art Norris, 185, scored an upset victory in knocking out Dan Hodge, 192, Kansas City, in the 4th round. Norris got off the floor in the first round to score the kayo. Maurice Burk, 138, beat Joe Woodward, 136, in the four round special. The main event was nationally televised and presented by the International Boxing Club at Chicago Stadium.

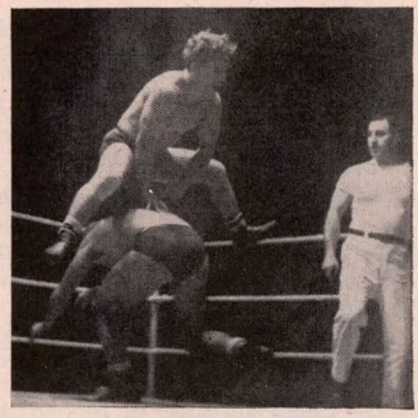
GEORGIA AND SOUTH CAROLINA NEWS
By Carl Poppell

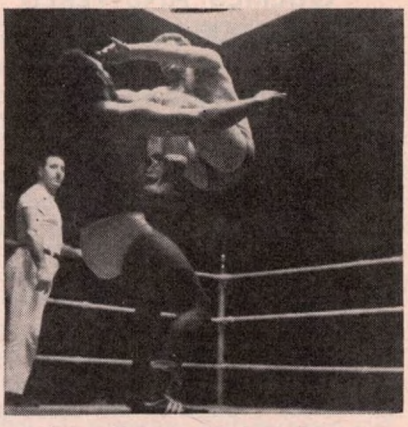
City Auditorium in Columbus, Ga: Willie Pastrano, third ranking heavyweight from Miami, Fla., had little trouble disposing of his opponent, Tommy Thompson of Washington, D. C. Pastrano, 186, scored a clean fourth round knockout over Thompson, 191.

In the semi-final (8 rounds), Billy DuPriest of Memphis, Tenn. scored a K.O. in the second round over Van Mathews of Nashville, Tenn.

In three 4 rounders, Bobby Evans of Atlanta, decisioned Danny Randy of New York, Buddy Wilson of Columbus scored a fourth round K.O. over Ray Mathews of Nashville, and Billy Ray Barber of Columbus scored a split decision over Jo Tunney of Atlanta.



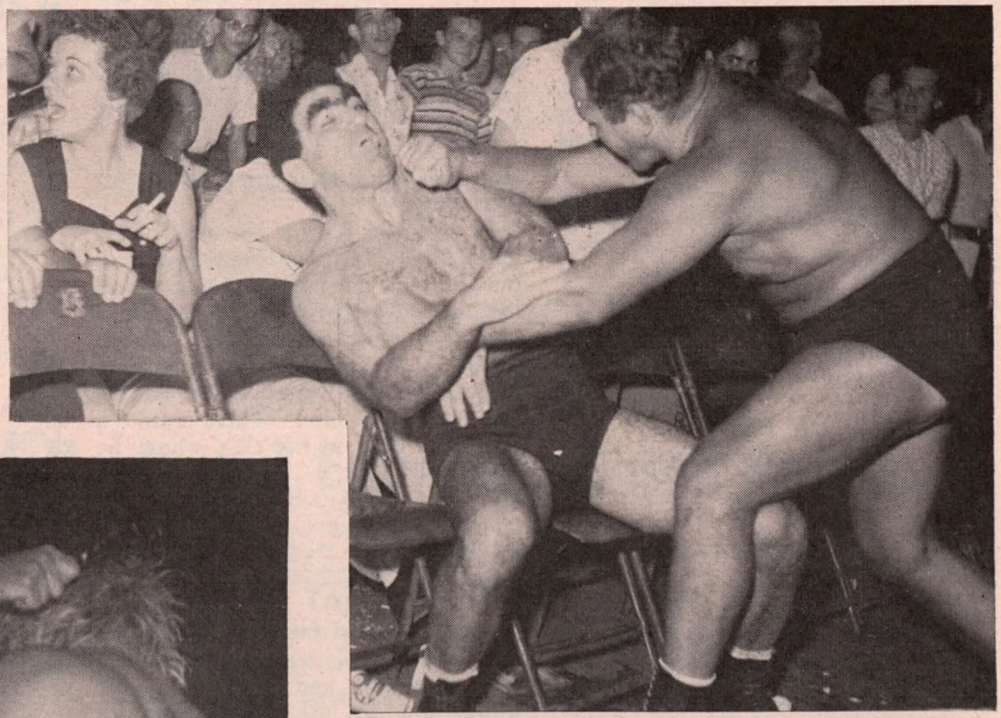


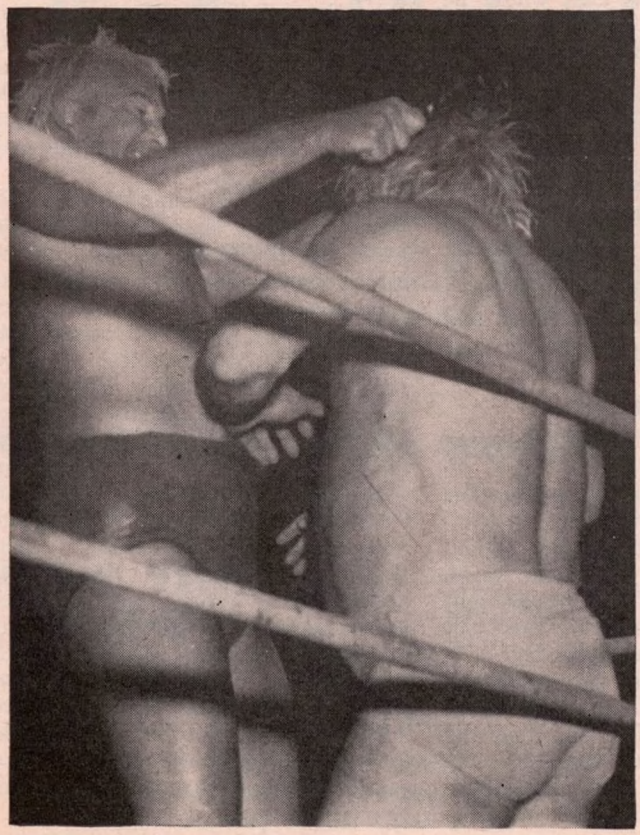


Three action shots took place in Antwerp, Belgium under the banner of promoter Pete Brackeniers. Left: Eric Husberg of Finland about to receive forearm slam from Jack Deen, local favorite. Center The Great Catanzaro plays leap-frog with Gay Robin. Right: Golden Apollo drop kicks Mighty Warnid. In Europe, Belgium, England and Germany lead in wrestling attendance with Spain and Italy close behind.

ACTION ON THE MAT

Mad Man Martino bounces Bull Curry with a right to the jaw as they continue action outside the ring in Houston, Texas match. Curry finally won the match. (Photo by Bob Utter) (Below) Dr. Jerry Graham on way to another victory bends silver tray over the head of Georgous George in a wild and wooly match.





Paul Anderson, Olympic strongman turned wrestler, continues his successful invasion of the mat game by defeating Gypsy Joe in a South Carolina ring. Photo shows Gypsy on the receiving end of body slam that hurt and stunned. (Photo by O. K. Wilson, Jr.)

QUERIES ANSWERED BY NAT FLEISCHER

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A—Yes, Robinson would be listed as retired, undefeated world middleweight champion. Louis is listed as retired undefeated world heavyweight champion and Rademacher is the first amateur to fight for a world heavyweight title as a pro.

MARTIN CHICOCK, MEMPHIS, TENN.

Q—Was there ever another case, such as in the Patterson-Harris bout, where a world heavyweight champion guaranteed a purse to the challenger?

A—No, this was the first on record, although it once happened in a match for the British Empire title. Ex-world champion Tommy Burns, who managed himself, promoted his bout with Joe Beckett in England. Burns used an English promoter to "front" for him, but Tommy ran the show and paid Beckett a guarantee of $20,000.

ART LEMKE, MILWAUKEE, WISC.

Q—Does a referee have the right to halt a fight that is one-sided or must be consult a member of the boxing commission or the official doctor?

A—He is sole judge. He can act on his own. He doesn't have to get the consent of anyone on the commission but too frequently we find weak-limbed officials who are afraid to give such a verdict for fear of losing their job if they offend the commission or the promoter, especially if a contest is televised.

HALL OF FAME . . . 1958 ELECTIONS

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TOMMY RYAN
(Joseph Youngs)

It has been said for Tommy Ryan, by men who should know, that he was the greatest fighter for his weight boxing has known.

Certainly he was a wily scrapper and a great hitter, and as welterweight champion stood pre-eminent in a day of great ringsters.

Tommy was born at Redwood, N. Y. Mother, English; father, French. Weight, 142 pounds at start of career. Height, 5 feet, 7¾ inches. He started boxing as a pro in 1887, and retired in 1907.

It was on July 26, 1894, in Minneapolis, that Ryan took the welterweight championship by beating Billy Smith in twenty rounds. Tommy and Smith met again, at Coney Island, New York, on May 27, 1895, but the police interfered in the eighteenth round and it was called a draw.

On March 21, 1896, Kid McCoy stopped Ryan in fifteen rounds and took the title. Ryan then entered the middleweight division and laid claim to the title after Bob Fitzsimmons had retired. He beat all other claimants and was generally recognized as the best.

Ryan died at Van Nuys, California, on August 3, 1948.

AD WOLGAST
("The Michigan Wildcat")

Born on February 8, 1888 at Cadillac, Michigan, Ad was of German-American stock. Weight 133 pounds. Height 5 feet 4½ inches. Tom Jones was his manager.

Wolgast, like Battling Nelson, was a ring terror, a fighting demon of the tear-in style.

He started his career in 1906 at the age of 18 and had a picturesque career. Wolgast fought several twenty round fights before he gained national recognition.

On February 22, 1910, Wolgast won the world lightweight title when he knocked out Nelson in the fortieth round of a grueling battle, one of the toughest yet fought in the division. Two years later, on November 28, 1912, Wolgast was deposed by Willie Ritchie who won on a foul at Daly City, California, in the sixteenth round.

Wolgast made a fortune during his ring career but after retirement he lost everything.

In 1908 he fought Abe Attell in a ten round no-decision bout and from then on went down the line meeting all comers. Among others, he tackled Frankie Picato, Matty Baldwin, George Memsic, Tommy O'Toole, Battling Nelson, Tommy Murphy, Lew Powell, and Charley White. There wasn't a fighter of note in his class whom he didn't tackle.

In 1920 Wolgast became ill and was sent to a sanitorium. He died on April 14, 1955.

THE MAT WORLD

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son. Dad Chene loves to spend his spare time swimming and boating. In the winter you can usually find him up north hunting and trapping. His select foods include steaks, sea foods and salads.

TEXAS 'RASSLIN'
BY TEXAS BOB UTTER

Not long ago Wild Bill Longson raged into Promoter Morris Sigel's office carrying the "Brass Knucks" trophy, emblematic of his being toughest wrestler in the mat world, and besides Longson barked at Promoter Sigel, *"After I win the Texas heavyweight crown, I expect you to get me a crack at Dick Hutton and the global belt."*

Mr. Sigel, being the easy going fellow that he is, sat back in his chair with a big smile on his face and told the Wild Man from Salt Lake City. *"Before you get a crack at the Texas title or Dick Hutton, you and your tag partner Ike Eakins must defend your world's tag championship against El Medico and Pepper Gomez, the tag kings of this state. I'll hold the match at the City Auditorium. Is that clear?"*

One week later, Longson and his partner in crime, Mr. Eakins, returned to Houston to defeat the tandem of El Medico and Gomez before a sellout crowd of over 10,000. Col. Stu Gibson, of Louisville, Ky., acting as referee, all but started a riot due to a "bum" call during the third and deciding fall. At one time all four wrestlers, two referees, and four blue coats were staging a "Pier 6" dandy inside the twenty foot square. Mr. Gibson received a police escort to the dressing room. Duke Keomuka and Johnny Tolos issued a challenge to both Longson and Eakins.

Tolos and Keomuka lost the Texas tag title to Medico and Gomez and have been disturbed ever since.

WRESTLING IN THE SOUTH
BY GENE GORDON

A large turnout at Hickory, N. C. enjoyed a terrific wrestling card at The Community House.

Pete Managoff defeated Jim Austeri and George Becker and Red Bastein looked sharp as a team by taking a win over roughies Tom Bradley and Buddy Lee in the main go.

This reporter was surprised to see Jim Coffield at the Hickory matches. Coffield, who wrestled in Charlotte, several years back, is now living near Shelby, N. C. and retired from the mat wars.

His team partner here was Johnny Long and their bouts against Earl Wampler and Jack O'Brien will long be remembered. Another old timer, Chief Saunooke is promoting wrestling in Ashville, N. C. and doing well. The big Indian was a top headliner on many of Jim Crocketts cards back in the early 1940's.

Another familiar name in these parts, Emil Dusek, we learn through brother Ernie, has also retired and is a successful promoter in Omaha, Nebraska. Emil was forced to retire due to injuries. He was a very rough and rugged matman who stayed active from 1936 to 1957. He and brother Ernie, now wrestling in the Carolinas, are well known in the South and once held the Southern Tag Team Championship.

In Charlotte a packed house at Park Center saw George Becker and Cyclone Anaya meet the hated German team, Waldo and Fritz Von Erich. This brawl ended in a draw. Each team had won a fall apiece when the time limit caught up with them in the third fall. The Von Erich team are as mean and rough as any team to appear here. They really stir up the wrath of the fans with their smirking faces, arrogant attitude and rough treatment they give opponents.

SOUTHERN OHIO JABS
By J. Jimmie Amann

TONY WARNDORF, new Cincinnati promoter will probably get his first promotion under way late in September or early in October. He has some high class attractions lined up for Cincinnati. With any kind of good break, Tony should bring the boxing game bouncing back into the Queen City.

AROUND SOUTHERN OHIO . . . my weekly boxing letter at ten dollars per year has hit a new, all time high in circulation . . . managers and promoters wishing this service, send your order to me at the address above . . . also for the one dollar copy of the 1958 promoters and managers Guide, 1000 names, addresses listed, with only a few copies remaining. . . . Lockland, Ohio, a suburb of Cincinnati has a show scheduled for Labor Day, one of the first pro fight cards offered in this section in 24 months. . . . Larry Smith, Detroit promoter, is doing a fine job with his weekly shows in the Motor City area, which proves boxing will go . . . if you just keep giving the fans action fights . . .

Former heavyweight champion Ezzard Charles made his long promised comeback at Fairmont, W. Va. Ezzard, at 198 pounds won the decision in 10 rounds over Johnny Harper, a former amateur champion, who came in at 203 pounds. Naturally, Charles didn't look his old sharp self, at 37 years of age.

CLEVELAND NEWS
By Harold Walsh

WILLIE PEP, ex-featherweight champion, won a unanimous decision over Jess Rodriguez of Warren, Ohio in a ten round bout at Lake County Fairgrounds at Painesville, Ohio in a recent bout.

▶ Sammy Derrico, a three time open division Golden Gloves champ, plans a program of amateur boxing shows here starting this fall.

K. O. Christner stopped at Canton to visit his old manager Tom Lennon at Canton. Christopher was on his annual vacation trek

AROUND THE TRI-STATE AREA
By Don Elbaum

RAINESVILLE, O.—BOXING RETURNED TO THIS CITY AFTER AN ABSENCE OF 35 YEARS with Willie Pep, 129, former featherweight champion, heading the card against Jesse Rodriguez, 125, of Warren, O. The former 126 pound title holder had too much skill for the busy punching Rodriguez. Willie, boxing as good as ever, won every round except the seventh when Jesse tagged the Will of the Wisp with a right hand. But the Ohio slugger could not catch Pep with a follow up punch.

Pep's left hand was working like a piston and it piled up points round after round. Rodriguez proved to be no slouch and the 1100 fans were treated to 10 rounds of action.

The semi-final stole the show with Bobby Stininato, 171, Cleveland, and Bobby Hughes, 170. Stininato on his way to an easy win, won the first four rounds. It seemed a question of just how long Hughes would last. In the fifth round Hughes landed a left-hook that dropped Bobby and when he arose Hughes blasted his opponent from piller to post, referee Johnny Seaman stopping the fight in 2:05 of the fifth.

In four rounders, Cornelius Rodgers, one of the best looking heavyweights to come out of Youngstown, stowed away Dick Christensen with one booming right hand in the first. The 220-pound Christensen from Toledo was out for five minutes. Rodgers, who hails from Youngstown and was making his pro debut, weighed 210.

Benny Lee, Painesville amateur star turned pro, and blasted out the more experienced Homar Harvey of Dunkirk in the first round. Lee dropped Harvey three times in the first round. They are middleweights.

The opening four had Jim Pettaway, Toledo, 131, winning by a TKO in the third round over Johnny Williams of Warren. A bad cut necessitated the fight being stopped.

Eddie Schauer and this writer handled the matchmaking. The Moose Club promoted the card.

LOUISVILLE, KY. BOXING NEWS
By Joe Martin

AT THE STATE FAIR GROUNDS IN LOUISVILLE Bill King put on what he called a local show and Bill Tuck, 158, battered his fellow Louisvillian into submission in the sixth round of their scheduled eight-rounder, Referee Art Gering halted the bout at 2:33 with the dazed but game Fletcher Lee still on his feet.

Fletcher Lee, 156, who has been fighting out of California but is making his home in Louisville, visited the canvas twice, once in the second and in the sixth. Tuck feinted a right, then threw a left and it landed on the button. Up at the count of eight, Lee was in no condition to weather the storm that followed.

In a companion feature Danny Jones, 145, Louisville, took an eight-round decision from Willie (Flat-Top) Miller, 143, of Chicago. Six-round decisions went to Beau Jack Brown of Louisville, Ben Burkhead, 151, Charlestown, Ind., who outpointed Bill Martin, 146, Louisville, and Bean Jack Brown, 157, Louisville, who gained the verdict over Claude Ketchirside, 160, St. Louis, Mo.

▶ At the Jeffeson Co. Armory in down town Louisville, Rudell Stitch, 143, of Louisville waged a furious tenth-round onslaught to turn a close fight into a unanimous decision over Isaac Logart. Stitch's withering attack, which had a tiring Logart bewildered, brought a crowd of 4,200 to its feet roaring in elation at the Armory.

Art Glass, 157, Dayton, decisioned Andy Gigaro, 153, New York, in 8, Joey Reynolds, 138, St. Louis, decisioned Leon Rosana, 137, Louisville, in 8, and James Roberts, 163, Louisville, kayoed Jimmy Fields, 160, Chicago.

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NEWS OF THE BRITISH ISLES

By JOHNNY SHARPE

THE highlight of this month's boxing news was "Where will 'Smiling' Jack Solomons stage his big promotions now that The Harringay Arena has been sold and no further shows will be staged there". The skeptical-minded people who have been troubling their minds about this will not have long to wait. Jack has many irons in the fire. He still has his spacious Earls Court Exhibition Arena, capacity 20,000, to stage outstanding shows. Also the White City Greyhound Stadium, which is an open air event once or twice in the year, capacity 50,000, to keep him busy. It is on the cards that "Smiling" Jack will be operating in Wales and many northern cities in conjunction with some local licensed Promoters. Harry Levene, soon as he heard that The Empress Hall, Earls Court, has been sold and not available for boxing, renewed his activities for staging Big Boxing at the Empire Pool, Wembley.

I am certain that if Harry is able to stage a world's heavyweight title, or any outstanding world's title contest, the vast Wembley Stadium will be at his disposal. The capacity at this venue for boxing is 75,000. . . . Stan Baker will stage his monthly shows at the Streatham Ice Rink, and also some smaller shows in the South London area. . . . Harry Grossmith will stage regular shows at the Shoreditch Town Hall, and once a month at the Royal Albert Hall. It will be up to the Southern Area Council of The British Boxing Board Of Control to allocate dates to these bigger promotions. The smaller halls still have their troubles to try and compete against the larger promotions. It seems that some boxers and their managers have inflated ideas of their values at the box office. . . . Why not go back to the days when top liners worked on a percentage basis?

There is to be a big clean up in British boxing. That is, we hope. . . . The Stewards of the British Boxing Board of Control are being asked to investigate and inquire into the activities what the independent managers and promoters call "THE SYNDICATE," a group that are trying to COPY the methods that have been overripe in the fields of American Boxing for so long. . . . At a secret meeting, these members of The British Boxing Board of Control claim that "THE SYNDICATE" are endevouring to obtain control of BOXING in these British Isles.

The Area Councils claim that they can take No Action, because they have NO CONCRETE Evidence.

At the meeting a resolution was passed that evidence should be obtained and passed to THE STEWARDS for them to take action, so that it will be able to stand up in any court of Law.

It is claimed that "THE SYNDICATE" have become bolder in their activities by "STOOGE" managers and promoters to keep out some promising boxers who are under contract to these independent managers.

The Stewards are being asked to probe the financial backing of These Stooge Promotions.

▶ Sammy Docherty, Scotland's leading promoter, and George Connell, head man in that field in Ireland, have ambitious ideas to stage big shows in their respective areas.

▶ I have the answer for my first paragraph. "Smiling" Jack Solomons has made an announcement that he has signed a contract with Wembley Stadium to stage boxing shows at their Wembley pool for the coming winter season. His first show is slated for Dec. 9th and further dates in the New Year. Now we are to have two promoters at The Pool. Harry Levene, not to be outdone, claims that he has applied for dates at The Earls Court Arena in the New Year. Where these two promoters are to get their top liners will depend on "The Battle of The Cheque Books" and the signing of the attractions out of the 500 boxers licensed by The British Boxing Board of Control. It is going to be a tough job, for only a few years ago they would have had the pick of over 3,000 boxers. In the words of Stanley Holloway of "My Fair Lady" fame, "LET BATTLE COMMENCE". Competition is good for the Game, and Boxers and The Paying Public will be the beneficiaries.

▶ ABERDEEN — Johnny Kidd, Aberdeen, 129½, making his first appearance in his home town since turning professional, won the Scottish lightweight title from the holder, Johnny McLaren, Coatbridge, 134, with a clean cut knock-out in the ninth. It looked like an early victory for Kidd, for he peppered McLaren with hefty left hooks and right crosses to the head, but the Coatbridge battler is made of a tough hide, and he weathered the storm till the continual hammering of the hard hitting Aberdonian ended the bout in the ninth with a hard right to the jaw. Referee Frank Wilson counting the fatal TEN was a mere formality.

Billy Rafferty, Glasgow, 118, gained a good points win over Danny McNamee, Dundee, 117¾, in a hard fought eight. . . . Alex Ambrose, Glasgow, 113½, Scottish flyweight champion, outpointed Eddie O'Connor, Dublin, 118½, in a spirited eight. . . . Dick Kierman, Glasgow, 138, made a good start in his professional debut with a points win over Tommy Houston, Belfast, 137, in six. . . . Johnny Jarrett, Belfast, 135, outpointed Johnny Murphy, Glasgow, 137, in six.

▶ BELFAST—Jimmy Brown, Belfast, 135, who was the outstanding challenger for the British featherweight title, may yet prove with the increase of weight that the lightweight title will be his goal. In his bout with Al Sharpe, Belfast, 135, for the Northern Ireland title, he displayed terrific body punching that soon had the title holder in trouble and ended the bout with a terrific right to Sharpe's jaw in the sixth.

Floyd Robertson, Ghana, 128¾, was very impressive in his workmanlike disposal of Jim Fisher, Belfast, 129. The referee saw fit to stop the one-sided bout in the third to save Fisher from further punishment. . . . Gerry Hassett, Belfast, 159¾, had an easy task against Armstrong Jany, Ghana, 152½, and the referee came to Jany's rescue by calling a halt in the third. . . . Roy Scanlon, Belfast, 137½, and Jim Loughins, Belfast, 139¾, put up a hectic scrap with Scanlon being declared the winner in the fifth when the referee intervened. . . . Pat Marley, Belfast, 128¾, outpointed Trevor Martin, Bangor, 126¾, in eight.

▶ PAISLEY—Peter Keenan, Glasgow, British & Empire bantamweight champion, was in for a shock when he started his bout against Derry Treanor, Eire for the Irish lad was no respector of reputations, and he waded into the champ in no light hearted manner. Coming out of a clinch in the first round, Keenan was the recipient of a badly cut eye. This hampered him against the aggressive Irish fighter, who scored many points during the first three rounds. In the fourth Keenan tried to turn the tide, but it was only a flash in the pan, and Treanor continued to hold on to his lead. The referee examined Keenan's eye at the end of the fifth, but allowed the bout to continue. During the sixth the Scot's eye was showing the worse for wear, and referee Eugene Henderson intervened in favour of Treanor.

"Baby Face" Terry Spinks, of West Ham, ran into a tartar in Billy Rafferty of Glasgow. The 25-year-old Scot sold his Fish & Chips shop to go away and train for this bout and was in perfect condition. He made his plan clear, and that was to fight two hands from the start. Reluctantly Spinks fell for this and joined in the fray, only to come off second best against an angry and dour opponent who had one thought in his mind. That was to take the elegant Spinks out of his stride. To say the least, he succeeded, for at no time did the West Ham bantam seem to have a chance, and a bad cut eye received in the fourth gave him more trouble. Referee Jake Kilrain, former British welterweight champion, inspected Spink's eye at the end of round five, wisely stopped the bout and declared Rafferty the winner. Readers of this column will remember that I wrote last month Terry Spinks is courting disaster by changing his clever boxing abilities to that of a "slam bang" two handed fighter. He has had his unbeaten certificate dented in his 20th bout. If he does not take heed and return to his former style, which was a pleasure to watch, I am afraid that another good prospect will be all washed up while still in his teens. John McCormack, Glasgow, contender for the British middleweight title, gained a points decision over Jimmy Lynas, Coventry, in a hard hitting eight.

▶ Shoreditch — Arthur Howard, Islington, 174½, showed more restraint than he has in his prevnous bouts. It was his coolness in battle against Ron Redrup, the West Ham southpaw, 171, that won him another chance to battle at some future date for the title. Let it not be said that at all times was Howard fighting in this subdued manner, for after picking his right handed punches to the body in the first four rounds he earned himself a points lead which he kept to the end of the ten rounds to earn referee Jack Hart's points decision. The bout was seen on T-V by millions of viewers, and a more dour battle between two perfect athletes could never be witnessed.

Early in the fourth round Howard began to show the worse for wear, his left eyebrow began to swell, and he then fought harder against his youthful opponent who never let up trying to overcome the experience of the Islington Tiger, as he is known. . . . In the eighth Howard's right eye began to swell, and it seemed that the referee might have to intervene. But the pace was so fast and the crowd so intensed with the excitement that it would have been very unlucky for Howard to lose on the intervention of the referee. The swelling above the eyes did not seem to deter Howard, and in the last round both Howard and Redrup stood toe to toe and threw punches at each other with the crowd on their feet cheering them on. At the final

BRITISH EMPIRE RATINGS

(to September 19, 1958)

HEAVYWEIGHTS	CRUISERWEIGHTS	MIDDLEWEIGHTS	WELTERWEIGHTS
1. George Chuvalo (C)	Yvone Durelle (C)	Dick Tiger (N)	George Barnes (A)
2. Brian London (E)	Johnny Halafihi (To)	Yama Bahama (B)	Johnny van Rensburg (SA)
3. Joe Erskine (E)	Mike Holt (SA)	Clive Stewart (A)	Joe N'Gidi (SA)
4. Joe Bygraves (J)	Yolande Pompey (T)	Wilf Greaves (C)	Darby Brown (A)
5. Dick Richardson (W)	Randy Turpin (E)	Phil Edwards (W)	Gale Kerwin (C)
6. Henry Cooper (E)	Jack Whittaker (E)	Martin Hanson (E)	Tommy Molloy (E)
7. Kitione Lave (To)	Arthur Howard (E)	Terry Downes (E)	Jimmy Newman (E)
8. Gawie de Klerk (SA)	Ron Redrup (E)	John McCormack (S)	Albert Carroll (E)
9. Alan Williams (A)	Al Sparks (C)	Freddie Cross (W)	Sandy Manuel (N)
10. Sammy Langford (N)	Dave Mooney (S)	Billy McDonnell (A)	Mick Leahy (I)
LIGHTWEIGHTS	**FEATHERWEIGHTS**	**BANTAMWEIGHTS**	**FLYWEIGHTS**
1. Willie Toweel (SA)	Hogan Bassey (N)	Peter Keenan (S)	Dennis Adams (SA)
2. Dave Charnley (E)	Percy Lewis (T)	Freddie Gilroy (I)	Frank Jones (A)
3. Richie Howard (C)	Pete Kawala (C)	George Bowes (E)	Len Reece (W)
4. Ludwig Lightburn	Bobby Neill (S)	Johnny Morrissey (S)	Warner Batchelor (A)
5. Ron Hinson (E)	Roy Jacobs (N)	Dick White (A)	Lloyd Gordon (C)
6. Max Carlos (A)	Johnny Howard (E)	Derry Treanor (S)	John Caldwell (S)
7. Jackie Hayden (C)	Aryee Jackson (G)	Jimmy Carson (I)	Malcolm McLeod (I)
8. George Bracken (A)	Charley Hill (S)	Billy Hafferty (S)	Little Joe (G)
9. Billy Kelly (I)	Ola Michael (N)	Terry Spinks (E)	Alex Ambrose (S)
10. Russell Sands (A)	Gerry Simpson (C)	Johnny Jarrett (A)	Ado Garuba (G)

LEGEND—(A) Australia; (B) Bahamas; (BG) British Guiana; (C) Canada; (E) England; (F) Fiji Islands; (G) Ghana; (IN) India; (I) Ireland; (J) Jamaica; (M) Malta; (N) Nigeria; (NZ) New Zealand; (S) Scotland; (SA) South Africa; (T) Trinidad; (TO) Tonga; (W) Wales.

gong the two very tired gladiators hugged each other in the center of the ring. The decision in favour of Howard was received amid very loud cheering, duly to be followed by the "Nobbins" that proves beyond doubt that the patrons had enjoyed a great scrap. Boxer V. Fighter was clearly demonstrated when Peter Heath, Coventry, 134, coming in as a substitute, cleverly outpointed Dave Stone, Battersea, 136, in six. . . . The ex-amateur champion was given a boxing lesson by Heath who kept cool throughout and was a clear winner. Robbie Wilson, Dagenham, 127½, knocked out Arthur Devlin, Millwall, 128, in the first round. Derek Lloyd, Chingford, 114, gained a good points win over Billy Downer, Stoke Newington, 115¾, in six. George Hiriat, Bournemouth, 131½, defeated Dennis Cole, Camden Town, 128½, in the second round when the latter was forced to retire at the end of the round owing to a severe cut left eye. Maxie Beech, Chiswick, 160¼, a young middleweight with a future, soon put paid to the aspirations of Ken Mullins, Jamaica, 139½, for the latter was so outclassed, that the referee intervened in the first round.

This has been a quiet month in ring activities, but the future looks for fighters and fans as both Jack Solomons and Harry Levene are staging shows at The Empire Pool, Wembley, in the coming season. It is certain that they will try and outbid each other in engaging the leading attractions in these British Isles. . . . The British Boxing Board of Control regulations forbid TWO ALIEN boxers to meet in the ring for combat, unless a world's title is at stake, and then application must first be obtained from The Board.

A note worthy of mention to Boxers rated in "THE RING'S" WORLD RATING LIST. . . . Regulations cover their intention of boxing in British Arenas. American boxers (Domiciled in America) will be granted permission by THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR to remain in Great Britain for boxing contests for a period of two months in the first instance. Consideration will be given to applications for TWO further extensions of TWO MONTHS each, making SIX months in all. During his stay an American Boxer will be subject to the condition that he does not take part in more than one BOXING Contest promoted in Great Britain in any fourteen days. An American Boxer to whom the above rules apply will not be permitted to remain in Great Britain for BOXING Contests for a total period of more than SIX months in any TWELVE months. The above rules do not apply to an American (domiciled in Europe) who will be treated on the same basis as a European Boxer and admitted for a short period only, for the purpose of engaging in a particular CONTEST.

Any further particulars on Boxing in Great Britain can be obtained by contacting THE WRITER at 56 VALLEY DRIVE. KINGSBURY. LONDON N.W.9. ENGLAND.

NEWS FROM SUNNY AUSTRALIA

By Ray Mitchell

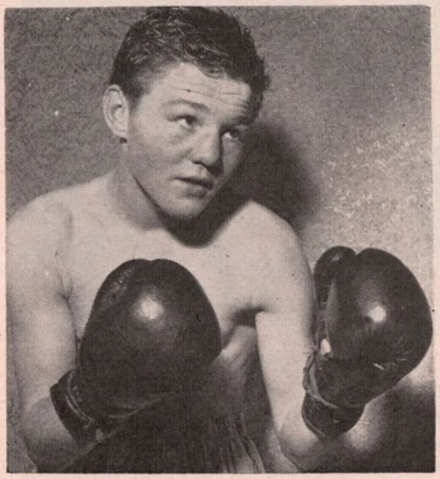
AT SYDNEY STADIUM, GEORGE BARNES, Australian welterweight champion, who lost his Empire title to JOHNNY VAN RENSBURG by a points decision at Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia, last May, won back his Empire crown by knocking out the champion in the 13th round.

An almost capacity Stadium saw an action fight from first bell to the end of the fight. Barnes, grimly determined, commenced the fight with an all-out onslaught and he didn't ease in his attack. Van Rensburg, however, is a quick-moving, clever boxer and he continually countered the Australian with his sharp-shooting, to establish a big lead early in the fight.

Coming into the 13th round, the South African held a good lead on points. Barnes needed to win the last three rounds by big margins, or else score a KO to win the fight. He scored a KO. A left by Van Rensburg missed and Barnes brought over a right to the jaw. Down went Johnny for a nine count. He got up and tried to fight back, but Barnes brought over another right to the jaw and Van Rensburg took another nine count.

Again Van Rensburg got off the floor, but he was not in full possession of his senses. He brought up his arms to defend himself and Barnes charged through, to drop the champion again with a right to the jaw.

How Van Rensburg made it to his feet this time is a mystery. But he did regain his pins and was very wobbly as Barnes moved in. George looked at referee Vic Patrick and asked him to stop the fight, but Vic told him to continue—Vic gives a champion every chance. Barnes moved in, threw a right—which wasn't as hard as his previous ones. Van Rensburg was not in a condition to take any more and he slumped



Youthful Terry Spinks of London was defeated for the first time in twenty pro bouts, when the 1956 Olympic flyweight champion was halted by the Scot, Billy Rafferty, on eye cuts in five rounds.

to the canvas. The fight was over in 2:40 of the 13th.

▶Melbourne Stadium saw the best fight for a long time when RUSSELL SANDS, leading contender for the Australian lightweight title, boxed a draw with the Australian champion, MAX CARLOS, in an overweight bout. The fight had thrills, clever boxing, fast fighting and action for the whole of the twelve, three-minute rounds.

▶Australia probably is the only country in the world where a heavyweight champion can lose a fight without losing his title. It is done simply by promoting a fight over two-minute rounds, instead of three. This is what happened at Leichhardt Stadium on August 1. ALLEN WILLIAMS, Australian heavyweight champion, met SANDY ASSOGNA, whom Williams twice has knocked out in title fights this year, over 12 rounds, each of two minutes. Williams suffered a badly gashed eye from a head clash and the fight was halted in the seventh round, with Assogna being declared winner. At the time, Williams held a good lead on points, while Assogna was slowing down and looked like being knocked out within a couple more rounds.

There was a dispute about the correctness of the verdict given by Vic Patrick in the fight between BILLY STANLEY, one of Australia's leading welters, and American negro, AL "TIGER" WILLIAMS, at Sydney Stadium: Patrick crowned Stanley winner on points and the verdict was greeted with cheers and hoots. My score card showed Williams ahead by one point—and when it is as close as that, I don't argue with the referee, who sees all from all positions. It was quite a good fight, marred somewhat by frequent clinching and it was a triumph for Stanley, a welter, who took the fight to his middleweight opponent with almost reckless abandon.

▶At Sydney Stadium, BILLY TODD, who has Stadiums Ltd's blessing as Australian welter champion (actually, George Barnes is the champion), fought DARBY BROWN over 15 threes in a bout advertised as for the welterweight championship of Australia. Darby, in the throes of his sixth comeback, found Todd too clever. Billy won by a wide margin on points.

▶Australian bantamweight champion, DICK WHITE won an easy points verdict over Filipino featherweight, LARRY BATAAN at Melbourne Stadium. White was on the floor in the first round, but came back to fight all over his more experienced opponent and win eight of the 12 rounds. Bataan is well past his best.

There were two deaths of boxing personalities during the month. First was HERB NARVO, former representative footballer and Australian heavyweight boxing champion 13 years ago. Second was Brisbane's leading referee, PAT HILL. Herb had been ailing for some time, but Hill's demise was sudden. Any fighter who has boxed at Brisbane Stadium during the last generation, will remember Pat.

▶MAX MURPHY, Australian featherweight champion, has retired from boxing. Says boxing has cost him money, instead of giving him a living.

▶At Leichhardt Stadium, LES "POPEYE" McNAIR easily outpointed TEDDY RAINBOW in a featherweight fight, while southpaw feather, STEVE NITTIES upset FRANKIE BENNETT at Sydney on July 21. On form, Bennett was favoured to win easily; instead, Nitties won easily.

▶At Melbourne, BOBBY HYLAND outpointed RON CLAPSTONE in a lightweight fight in which speed was the keynote. On July 25, rising welter, JOHNNY ZORZ had the best win of his short career when he stopped JOHNNY COOPER in the eighth round.

▶Final result of the month comes from Perth, Western Australia, where CLAUDE WALSH halted KEITH SAUNDERS in the eleventh round of a good fight. Each weighed 152.

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LEW JENKINS GIVES HIMSELF HELL

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Why he couldn't have made the Florida round trip in the car, he doesn't know to this day.

But, as Lew pointed out, this wasn't a patch on what he'd done the previous summer.

"I was in Texas when I got a wire from Hymie Caplin, my manager, that I was fighting Bob Montgomery in Philadelphia. I'd been palling around drunk with Danny Durant, so I decided that I'd make him drive me up there.

"At the beginning of the trip I was sleeping in the back of the car. But somewhere in Georgia, near Sparta, around six in the morning, I come to all of a sudden. He'd missed a turn and we'd gone off a cliff.

"I'd gone through the door of the car and, as I was laying there, all busted up, I still had an old Brownie camera in my hands. I could see Danny pinned in the car and I got up and walked around the other side with my camera.

"'Be still,' I told Danny, 'this will make a great picture.'"

"I didn't have any film in it. It was all a great big joke to me—and that was true even after they got us to a hospital, where they found I was hurt worse than he was . . . jaw broken in three places, face cut, shoulder dislocated."

Eventually Lew got into the ring with power-packing Montgomery—and somehow he beat him in 10 rounds.

Incentive, which often stirs the average fighter, infrequently visited Jenkins.

"There was only one fighter I really wanted to lick—and more because of his manager than because of him.

"When I first came north, in 1939, I boxed around Chicago. The big man around the clubs there then was Izzy Kline.

"Pete Lello was his fighter and I fought Lello. Well, I was handling him OK until he knocked me down in the seventh round. It was only an iddey-biddy knockdown but the ref jumped in and stopped it. I was out of my head, I was so angry. But what could I do?

"A year and a half later Kline came to New York with Lello to fight me for the title. Izzy went around telling everybody that his fighter had knocked me out and could do it again, no trouble.

"This made me mad enough to train pretty seriously. And in the fight I kept catching him with a left hook. I knocked him down three times in two rounds. On the third one, the ref started to wipe his gloves. All at once I got the old feeling—Kline protecting his fighter against me? I rushed in and I hit Lello over the ref's shoulder. I was lucky they didn't disqualify me. But this wasn't Chicago, this was the Garden and I was the winner on a knockout."

HORACE (BOOTS) MONROE

California State bantamweight champion who has won 17 of 18 fights since turning pro last year. This 21 year old lad is a solid puncher who has recorded 13 knockouts. Boots has won his last 15 in a row and by his recent kayo over Nacho Escalante has gained him tenth spot among the World's top bantam weights in the latest Ring Ratings.

Monroe has beaten Billy Peacock, Kid Irapuato and kayoed Willie Lucedo, German Ohm, Roberto Hernandez, Willie Parker and Hector Rodriguez. A popular favorite with West Coast fans this Hollywood youngster is the U. S. top hope among the little men.

The highest adventure Lew experienced—and this is using the word literally—occurred in the fall of 1941, when he had a Garden fight on with Freddie (Red) Cochrane.

He had been to the Meadowbrook, famous New Jersey night club of the era, to hear Peggy Lee sing. *"You know what shape I was in? I asked her to do a request and, when she came back to my table, I asked her again. I was too drunk to know she already had sung it for me!"*

An hour later he left on his motorcycle, headed for Pompton Lakes. Going at what he now estimates as 90 miles an hour, he collided with the outer edge of a traffic circle. Freakishly the machine spun into the air, he still in the saddle.

It's Jenkins' belief that he shot up 60 feet. Even exaggerated by half, it remains something over which to marvel.

In any event, he came down hard, crashed against a tree. He was taken to a hospital with a broken rib and a broken neck.

That very night, while in the hospital, a traffic officer from the town of Little Ferry, N. J., where the accident happened, visited Jenkins. He handed him a bill for $30, charges for damages to city property.

Lew was fitted for a neck brace and told he would have to stay in bed for two weeks. The next morning he wangled his way out by paying the hospital for two weeks he wouldn't stay there.

Jenkins went through with the Cochrane fight and took a drubbing. In his next start, on Dec. 19, 1941, he put his title on the line against Sammy Angott and suffered a 15-round beating—and dethronement.

"The two worst fighters I ever met were Cochrane and Angott," Lew mused, *"and I couldn't do a thing with either of them. My shoulder and neck were out of whack both times. I couldn't line up my right hand. And when I couldn't punch, I was through."*

The fat of the land had been responsible for his decline as a fighter, he noted.

At 18, Jenkins boxed in carnivals around Wink, Texas. He'd get a quarter for each man from the crowd he boxed and he'd go on four and five times a night.

"Then I got a break," he reported. *"Jackie Griffin, wife of Dick Griffin, blind ex-fighter who was promoting in Dallas, gave me a four-round fight, a dollar a round.*

"I got so tired after the second round that I laid down in the corner. The crowd thought it was some kind of stunt and cheered me but it wasn't any act, I was plumb exhausted. The referee wouldn't stand for my quitting, so I had to get up. I won the fight.

"A couple of years later, when I was a cavalryman in the army, I came back to Dallas on furlough. The Griffins remembered me. The paper said, 'the wild antelope of west Texas is back.' I had seven fights in a row, all knockouts, and I was the big hero there."

After being discharged by the Army in 1938, Lew came to New York with petite Katie. They had a $60 jalopy and no cash. He hocked Katie's watch and some of his boxing gear. All they could afford was bologna sandwiches.

"When I finally got a fight at Queensboro Arena, with Baby Breese," he recalled, *"we didn't have enough bologna for the two of us. Katie made believe she wasn't hungry the day before the fight. She wanted me to have the sandwiches."*

Lew won the fight—and he was off on the run of successes which were to lead him to the title.

His domestic life with Katie was tempestuous. More than once she skulled him with a skillet. But he was grateful for her early loyalty. At the time they split up, he turned over to her two homes they owned.

More apparent now than in those weird days, his personality had a manly, proud strain. Few had the opportunity to know it.

It first came out publicly during World War II after he'd enlisted in the Coast Guard. He served honorably in that service. He piloted small landing craft in the invasions of Sicily, Salerno and the French coast. The British decorated him for his work in the Channel on D-Day.

Next month Mr. Bromberg will bring you the conclusion of this article on a soldier-fighter.

MICHIGAN FISTIC FACTS
By Jack Waina

WILF GREAVES, 161¼, Edmonton, Ala., gave a "gem" of a performance as he thrashed Sherman Wiliams, 163, Louisville, in an interesting ten rounder at the Jefferson Beach Ballroom for promoter C. W. Smith. The Canadian middleweight champion looked exceptionally sharp and won every round on all three officials score cards, but lost one point in the sixth round for hitting low.

In the co-feature attraction, a rubber match between Henry Hank, 157¾, Detroit, and Charley Cotton, 155½, Toledo, ended in a nine round TKO in favor of the former. Hank had the once capable Toledo campaigner on the deck for the automatic eight count in the second, but seemed reluctant to end it. While Hank hit the game Cotton at will thereafter, he was content to allow Charley to force the action and only fought thirty seconds of each round. Just before the end of the eighth round Cotton caught Hank with a sneak right hand and had him wobbling at the bell. However, Cotton was not allowed to come out for the ninth round because of a cut inside of his mouth which had been bleeding throughout the match.

Considering his limited experience, Dave Shoulders, 193¾, Detroit, exhibited good ring generalship, combined with his punching poweress, in halting the veteran Arthur Wright, 185¼, Detroit, at 1:55 of the fourth round. In another four, Don Deters, 168, Detroit, outpointed Bill Clemmons, 173½, Detroit.

▶ A couple of young localites Gene Gresham and Ducky Dietz were given their first chance in the main event class, when promoter C. W. Smith featured the pair in separate eight round co-feature attractions at the Jefferson Beach Ballroom.

Forrest Foster's promising protege, Gresham, 137½, continued his undefeated ways when Johnny Palmer, 137½, Columbus, Ohio, was unable to answer the bell for the third round. The clever boxing Gresham had Palmer cut badly over both eyes before the contest really got started and that's where it ended.

The hard socking Dietz, 167½, took a severe lacing at the hands of Ronnie Worshensky, 172, Pittsburgh, before referee Morrie Sherman finally stopped the bout at 2:19 of the fifth round. Worshensky exhibited excellent ring-generalship and slipped inside the majority of Dietz's thundering left hooks. However, a left hook started all of Dietz's trouble in the second round when he really got tagged, and although Ducky came back to shake up his opponent several times, Ronnie rained a steady barrage of blows at will upon the handsome eastsider till the slug-fest was finally halted.

The best looking prospect on the local horizon, Nick "Lucky" Mailk's Johnny Powell, 147, met a tartar in rugged Eddie Troy, 145, Detroit, but came out of the match unparalleled. Midway through the third round, Powell caught Troy near the ropes with a sizzling left hook to the body and another on the jaw. As Troy landed against the ropes, Powell leaped in with a short but vicious right hand that dumped Eddie on the apron outside of the ring for the full count at 2:19.

A couple of four-rounders found Billy Collins, 141, Nashville, Tenn., outboxing George Murray, 146, Detroit, and Willie Williams, 175¼, Detroit, outscrapped Leroy Jones, 169, Detroit, in a free swinging brawl.

▶ Prospects for the fall season appear somewhat brighter than anticipated, as two more promoters from near-by localities have announced plans. With promoter C. W. Smith offering an occasional show, it is possible that some worth while talent may be developed if the response is reasonable.

James Riley announced that he will aid promoter Al St Johns in attempting to re-establish boxing in the sports hungry city of Toledo, Ohio. The pair will concentrate on club fights at the spacious Sports Arena in trying to locate some drawing cards and develop talent. Plans at the present time call for bi-weekly shows, with lightweights Charley Smith and Johnny Palmer heading the first card.

Tony Pellisiaro, a new entry to the boxing picture, will bring boxing back to Pontiac, with a show at Wismer Stadium, featuring Ronnie Worshensky and Eddie O'Hara on top. Jack Laken, veteran boxing figure, who has been a frequent visitor here of late after a long absence, will guide Pellisiaro. In his only local appearance, Worshensky, a Pittsburgh lad, made a big hit in stopping a local favorite, Ducky Dietz in five.

Another show is being planned for Muskegon, the hometown of leading lightweight challenger Kenny Lane, who made such a gallant effort to dethrone champion Joe Brown. Lane made his first start since losing to Brown, defeating Orlando Zulueta before the home folks.

▶ BEHIND THE HEADLINES. . . . Sorry to hear of the death of Jack Curley, colorful New York manager, who had been ill for some time. This correspondent became acquainted with the talkative Curley when he had his heavyweight John Thomas in against Tami Maurello here at the Olympia Stadium twice in 1946 and 1947. Although Thomas lasted only a total of five rounds, he stood toe to toe with Tami all the way and gave the fans a real treat. The return of Forrest Foster to Detroit after spending some sixteen months in the state of Washington, has added a pleasant touch to the local boxing picture. Speaking of 175 lbers., Chuck Spieser, who seems to make the **News** periodically announced now that he has accepted two fights in Germany through Andy Niederreiter and, if he wins, will probably fight Tony Anthony at the Olympia Stadium for the International Boxing Club in December. Ted Wright, Detroit welterweight, who won fourteen straight bouts here as a pro as well as many amateur titles, is going great guns in Europe, bowling over all opposition. Local lightheavy Eugene Duncan has returned home for a short visit, but hopes to return to California to ply his trade during the winter season.

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CANADIAN MARITIMES
By Fred Bishop

Bridgewater, N. S.:—Former Maritime welterweight king Kieth Paris, 146, New Glasgow, and Dick Howard, 136, Halifax, met for the second time in a month with Howard again copping another close decision in ten action packed rounds. Howard decked Paris twice, both in the ninth round. In the semi-final six, Reg Warrington, 167, Liverpool, knocked out Ronnie Boyd, 150, Yarmouth, in the second of a slug-fest. Reg is a first cousin of the once great Terry Warrington, Canadian lightheavy boss of the late 1930's and early Forty's.

In another six, hard punching Billy Nickerson, 134, Yarmouth, knocked out Bridgewater's Carol Fraser, 136, in the first.

▶ Harvey, N. B.:—Bobby Spring, 134, Saint John, a good looking comer, stopped Frankie Turner, 137, Bangor, Me., in five wild rounds.

▶ Moncton, N. B.:—Yvon Durelle, Baie St. Annes, N. B., 184, outpointed Freddy Mack, 170, Brooklyn, N. Y., over the ten round route in a tame affair with the more experienced Durelle carrying the fight throughout. Durelle, third ranked light heavy in the world, tried hard to stop his man in the ninth and tenth but Mack kept away from the wild swinging Durelle as Moncton's largest crowd in years (7200) roared their approval.

Gaston Roy, 156, Levis, Que., stopped Nick Kovac, 158, Moncton, at the 2:53 mark of the eighth round. It was a rough bruising battle with Roy showing a bit more ring moxie. With this win Roy can now claim a Maritime title fight with Sydney's Gordie McDougall to clear our middleweight muddle for Eastern Canada.

FROM THE PHILIPPINES
By Felipe J. C. Galang

Bonnie Espinosa, 130½, former featherweight champion of the Philippines and ex-lightweight titlist of the Orient, badly outponited Leo Alonzo, 135, former Oriental lightweight kingpin, in 10 rounds at the Coliseum.

Alonzo's jolting rights were all found in the wind and Bonnie countered with lefts and rights to the face without a return. It proved to be a one-sided match.

Arab Jr., 119¼, former bantamweight champion of the Philippines, won a unanimous decision over the highly rated Angel Boy, 119¼, in 10 round supporting main event. Arab proved to be too clever and elusive for the slow moving Angel Boy. Roberto Cruz, 126, halted Dio Cagulada, 125½, in the third round. Marcing David, 120, won the unanimous decision over Bert Gonzales, 119, in 8 rounds. Baby Carlos, 119, and Johnny Jamito, 118, fought to a six round draw. Jim Posadas, 117, drew with Dommy Felicia, 118, in another six rounder. Rocky Romero, 124, and Joe Dionaldo, 125, fought in even terms in four rounds. Reno Cezar, 111, lost to Leo Amadeo, 111, in four rounds. Star Catalan, 116, proved to be the master of Chinese Ngo Li Tong, 116, in a four rounder.

▶ Dommy Ursua, 116, stopped Toshiro Tanaka, 112, of Japan in the ninth round in a scheduled 10 round main event at the Coliseum. Ursua won the bout with the help of the referee Capt. Juan Laconico, who stopped the fight without consulting the physician when the Japanese received a cut over the left eye. Ursua also sustained a cut over his right eye.

In the 5th round, with a punch and a push, the Japanese was thrown out of the ring with his feet inside while his head was under the upper rope. The referee permitted Ursua to keep punching the Japanese at the middle section. This was booed by the crowd.

Javellana Kid, 142, but a legitimate lightweight, became the newly crowned welterweight champion of the Philippines when he knocked out Star Gony, 136, in the ninth round. Gil Flores, 126, badly defeated Jackie Trillana, 127, in 10 rounds. Army Wonder Boy, 126, drew with Oscar Reyes, 126, in 10 rounds.

Flash Menny, 128, won over Rocky Moises, 126, in six rounds. Steve Canoy, 126, stopped Terrible Max, 132, in two. Harry Hardman, 118, halted Bastian Tirana, 115, in two rounds. Joe Cruz, 117, halted Baby Frankie, 116, in four.

▶ Little Cezar, Baby Brown, and Javellana Kid are now in Los Angeles and under the management of the American Legion. Cezar and Brown are legitimate feathers while Javellana although he is the welter kingpin of the Philippines is a real lightweight. All interested parties can contact the writer at Apt. 102 # 259 N. Union Ave., Los Angeles 26, California.

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FLORIO'S UNIQUE RECORD

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"I also worked in the other DeMar co's corner—Tony—when he lost the welterweight title to Carmen Basilio in Syracuse."

FLORIO BROTHERS NOTED AS BOXING TRAINERS

Over the years the Florio brothers have trained and seconded many champions. Among them are Bat Battalino, Petey Scalzo and Freddie Miller. In those years they were training for the late Pete Reilly, the grey fox.

"Reilly left the training to us. In the 25 years we worked for him, I don't think Pete visited the gymnasium as many as 10 times," Dan recalled.

In the last decade Dan Florio has become known as the trainer of heavyweight champions—Jersey Joe Walcott and Floyd Patterson. He was with Walcott the night Jersey Joe floored Louis in the Garden, only to have the decision go against him.

"I shall always feel Walcott won that fight," said Dan. *"So do a lot of other people."* Florio was with Walcott from then on, figuring in eight championship battles.

Unlike other trainers of heavyweight champions, among them Jack Blackburn and Charley Goldman, Dan Florio has never received much publicity. He's been a guy who was around, just doing his job. He has done it well, and has two heavyweight champions to show for it, the oldest and the youngest.

Patterson is fortunate to have Dan Florio in his corner. If you ask him he will tell you so.

"Dan knows me and he knows what I'm supposed to do," said the world heavyweight champion.

KRIEGER

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Krieger faced Conn again in Pittsburgh in his next outing after the Hostak victory, and although he contested the issue stubbornly, Billy moved and thought too fast for his adversary.

Krieger tried it again with Billy on May 12, 1939 in Madison Sq. Garden, but Conn was now reaching his peak, and had little trouble with Solly in their final meeting.

The match in which Krieger lost his title to Hostak was not without its peculiarities, the middleweight class had become bogged down in a morass of Machiavellian manipulations master-minded, supposedly, by shadowy influences of unsavory character. Be that as it may, the record says that Solly Krieger lost the title back to Hostak by a four round KO on June 27, 1939.

This would have been a good time for the Brooklyn slugger to have called it a career. But like so many others he continued on as a light heavy to his eventual regret, although circumstances probably forced his continuation.

Solly could never withstand the lure of the racetracks and too much of his hard earned purses found its way into the pari-mutuel machines, so when he finally bade farewell to the ring following an ill-advised affair against heavyweight Lee Savold in 1941, he had little to show for fourteen years of gruelling strife.

His one time arch rival Apostoli echoes Conn's appraisal of their foe. *"I would sooner have tackled anybody in the class than Krieger,"* admits the well-spoken Californian. *"You were in trouble with him right up to the last second."*

Krieger, a real heavyweight at last, lives in Miami after a fling at bar-and-grill operating in his native Brooklyn. Quiet and self effacing as of old, he never has to sound off in his own praises as long as his old time rivals are around to tell the world what a tough fellow he really was.

FROM OUR READERS

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other tentatively-proposed bust or statue honoring Joe Montana, the great scientific wrestler, for his contribution to the abstruse science of wrestling.

Joe Montana was a hooker by style and a shooter by avocation and at heart. Montana's name, like "Farmer" Burns became a synonym for the "shooting" match and like feinting in boxing the "shooting" match in today's "wrestling" is a lost and abstruse art.

I elicited or got my idea from reading that the good citizens of Omaha, Nebraska erected a statue of the late Martin "Farmer" Burns. Joe Montana has retired from wrestling and he and Joe Walcott are each in his own right entitled to a bust or statue erected someplace in Camden, say within the next ten tentatively, history-filled years.

Vince Salerno,
Woodlynne, N. J.

OUTSIDE U.S.A.

Dear Editor:

As a keen boxing fan, who through the small population and consequent lack of promotions, does not have many opportunities to witness many first class fights, I would like you to know that I derive a lot of enjoyment when reading your magazine.

Furthermore, your early recognition of new talent never fails to amaze me when I think of the boxers all over the world which you have to evaluate.

I have only one complaint, and that is that your articles are, in my opinion, mainly concerned with American boxers. How about giving us a story on the famous Toweel family, an interesting combination?

J. Watts Chingola,
N. Rhodesia

Ed. Note. We have had several yarns on the Toweel boys and try to get in as many stories on foreign fighters as warrants.

DON 'GERONIMO' JORDON

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feel actually defeated you?"

Q: *"Andy Escobar, Dickie Wong, Art Aragon and Charley Tombstone Smith. The last named beat off my attempt to wrest the California State welterweight title from him on Jan. 24, 1957."*

Q: *"You own a car and a home, right?"*

A: *"I have a 1955 Century Buick but no home. My wife and children and I live in a rented house in Compton, a nice town close to LA."*

In the dressing room after the Jordan-Godih melee, the Californian's manager, Don Nesseth—a tall, blond, friendly young man who is in the automobile business, said, *"I have something to say that I feel is rather important, this: Though Jordan has been fighting welters—thirty of them so far—he's a genuine lightweight. I'm aiming to get Don a fight with the 136-pound champ, Joe Brown.*

"By the way," added Nesseth, *"Jordan lost but one bout—though he actually won it—in the last 2 years. Among Don's victims are: Joe Miceli, Paddy DeMarco—whom he kayoed in five, breaking his jaw, Juan Padilla, Orlando Zulueta, Willie Morton and other good lightweight and welters."*

Other interesting facts about Jordan that came out in our talk:

It appears that he was born with web fingers; they were operated on when he was nine and again at twelve—and are now okay; he speaks good Spanish. Plays the guitar—which he learned by himself—and sings Latin songs, mostly Mexican.

Don likes western movies; and to read about pioneers of the west, he nearly always becomes friends with his former ring rivals, loves to travel. . . does not care for jewelry. . . . enjoys meat, but favors vegetables and fruit juices.

He is skilled at ceramics and leathercraft. . . likes repairing radios, TV sets, tape recorders, etc.

His mother's pet name for him is "Geronimo."

Don relaxes by playing with his children and looks forward to driving with his family to visit his parents every Sunday.

When he is through with boxing, Jordan hopes to attend school and specialize in electronics and agriculture.

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